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JUDGE MARCUS KAVANAUGH SPEAKS

Chicago Protective Association Assembles Large Crowd to Hear Distinguished Jurist at Bethel Church

NATIONAL CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF DOUGLASS

Miss Lizzie Wallace, the Charming Actress, Celebrates Her Birthday at Her Home in Wabash Ave.—Charles Griffin to Run Independent for Alderman—Mme. Jennie Sheppard-Haston is Being Lavishly Entertained this Week by Admiring Friends—Attorney Louis B. Anderson to Fight for his Job.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

(Freeman Bureau, 3000 South State St., Phone, Douglass 8058, Automatic 75-233.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 11.—Hon. Adelbert H. Roberts is responsible for the movement on foot to hold a national celebration of the centennial anniversary of the birthday of Fredrick Douglass, the famous orator, statesman and journalist. At a big meeting last Sunday at Bethel A. M. E. church, the movement was started. Every one present applauded the idea and it was given additional stimulus by an address by Judge Marcus A. Kavanaugh and Hon. Patrick O'Donnell. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Chicago Protective Association and the Bethel Literary Club of which Mr. Fitts is president. Officers will be elected at a later meeting.

Senator M. Sherman Unable to be Present.

Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman was unable to be present. He was scheduled as the principal speaker, but at the last moment he found it impossible to absent himself from Washington and he wired his regrets. In his stead Judge Marcus A. Kavanaugh spoke. This distinguished jurist has spoken on several occasions in the interest of the race and was given a royal welcome Sunday. Prominent Negroes occupied seats on the platform and Hon. Adelbert H. Roberts presided at the meeting. In his characteristic style and fulsome praise he introduced the judge who spoke encouraging words and predicted a bright future for the race.

Judge Kavanaugh Speaks.

Among other things, Judge Kavanaugh said: "The Negroes are not an inferior race, as some persons maintain. There are no inferior races; God created all alike. You have an equal chance with others, and it remains with yourselves to win. Some people are prejudiced against you, that is true, but you are overcoming that more and more every day. Yours is a new race. Its progress began only a half century ago. Your progress since then has been remarkable. You have one great lesson to learn—thrift. If I have a dollar in my pocket and see anything in the store window that I want out comes the dollar. It is the same with you. Learn to keep your money; teach your children the habit of saving." The tenor of the address of Hon. Patrick O'Donnell was that the Negro must not look upon his rights as a mere matter of a gift or kindness, but that he should demand every right that he is entitled to. Any state that had allowed laws enacted to abridge the rights of the black man had committed acts of treason.

Miss Fannie Wise, one of the sweetest singers of the race and who for years has been a star on the stage but recently given up the stage for church life, rendered two solos. Her singing completely captivated the audience. The applause was almost deafening. After singing two songs, she was asked to sing a third and it was "My Old Kentucky Home." When she had finished, a suggestion was made which met with a hearty approval to give Miss Wise a benefit to show that the good people are in heartfelt sympathy with those whose ideals are high.

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Miss Lizzie Wallace Celebrates Birthday

Miss Lizzie Wallace, one of the most delightful and charming actresses on the stage today, celebrated her birthday last week at her home, 3120 Wabash ave. While Miss Wallace did not have a social function to welcome her birthday, she received a number of cards, letters and presents. The one most admired was that given by her mother, which was an ivory toilet set. Miss Wallace has traveled extensively abroad and has been on the stage as a headliner for several years. Her dancing is the most captivating and finished work seen in Chicago. She is now with Rosa Brown, the team known as Brown & Wallace. They are at the New Monogram this week drawing large crowds. Particularly beautiful is the wardrobe and Brown & Wallace and probably are among the very best dressers on the Southside stage. Miss Wallace is doing a dance that puts her in a class alone and the act is securing the best time obtainable. If they are billed in your city, see them.

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Madame Jennie Sheppard-Hastons Here.

Madame Jennie Sheppard-Hastons is the guest of Mrs. Nonie Gilmore 3244 Wabash ave., apartment 3. She is one of the leading characters in the J. Leubrie Hill Company, "The Darktown Follies." Mrs. Hastons is a Washington girl and her husband has charge of one of the first class cafes in London, England, where they have been for several years. She is a most accomplished young woman, speaking seven languages and plays and sings beautifully. Being the guest of Madame Gilmore, she has been entertained charmingly. Much to Mrs. Haston's regret, she has been unable to do any singing while here as her voice has been inaudible because of a deep cold. Dr. H. Reginald Smith has been treating her and at this writing she is improving. She has a charming personality and very attractive. She was an honored guest at the Cabaret Tuesday.

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Griffin to Run Independent.

Mr. Charles Griffin, one of the strongest young men in the city of Chicago, has announced himself as a candidate for Alderman of the Second Ward. He will have the backing of the leading colored men of the ward and with the support of the women his friends claim he will be the next Alderman. His father was intimately associated with Major John R. Lynch, Senator B. K. Bruce and was superintendent of public education in the State of Mississippi. Mr. Griffin was born in Bellaire, Ohio, Jan. 24th, 1884. He was educated in the public schools of Ohio, graduating from the Walnut Hill High School, Cincinnati. He came to Chicago in 1892. He is a trustee of Wilberforce University. Mr. Griffin is a business man and for nine years was general agent for a big insurance company here. He is now president of the Wilson & Griffin Regalia House. He is a member of the Odd Fellows, Past Grand Master's Council, Lieut. Colonel of the Patriarch and has represented various fraternities as national delegate to Baltimore, Richmond, Atlantic City and Atlanta. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Foresters, Anna Walker Conscience Club, Secretary Trustee Board Bethel A. M. E. church, delegate to the General Conference of the A. M. E. church and was one of the founders of the Y. M. C. A. on Wabash ave. and did effective work in raising funds for this institution. He married Miss Mae Marquis and live happily together. He has the support of the Cowan organization.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hill Stopping with Ed Goodbar.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Leubrie Hill are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodbar on East 31st street. Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Mr. Goodbar have been old friends for a number of years and took leading parts in the Williams and Walker show. True to his friendship to Mr. Hill, Mr. Goodbar was at the train Sunday to meet his friend and extended him the courtesies of his cozy and palatial home. Mrs. Hill possesses a charming voice and takes a leading part in the show and wears a number of beautiful gowns. While here Mr. Hill has met a number of his old friends and is being cordially received in the "Windy City."

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Miss Daisy Martin and Mr. Julius Glenn Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Haskins.

Miss Daisy Martin, who sings the song hit of the show, and one of the prettiest girls in the "Follies," and Mrs. Julius Glenn are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hoskins, corner 32d and State street. Miss Martin has been in vaudeville for the most part of the season, but recently joined the company which has been a wonderful addition. She has a beautiful wardrobe and is an actress of excellent quality and a good worker. Mr. Glenn is the comedian that makes one laugh and laugh heartily.

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Mr. and Mrs. Peters Guests of Miss Lizzie Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonnie Peters are the guests of Miss Lizzie Wallace, 3120 Wabash ave. Mr. Peters is the world famous originator of the tango and Texas Tommie dances. Mr. Peters has set Chicago wild by his dancing with Daisy Brown, Ethel Williams and another dancing maiden. The finale is the biggest hit of the season and if the readers of the Freeman have not seen it at the National, they have the week to do so at the Globe Theater the coming week.

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Miss Daisy Brown Guest of Her New York Friend.

Miss Daisy Brown, with Miss Esmeralda Stratham, 28th and State street. They are both friends, being New Yorkers. Miss Brown is a dancer of the first water, a real artist of the baby type and developed into a wonderful tango and Texas Tommie dancer. Miss Stratham is giving Miss Brown and several others who are stopping there a delightful time and they report that it is just like being at home. Miss Brown is well remembered as being a star in the "Red Moon" and featured a number of songs at the Pekin Theater when Mr. Sam Corker, Jr., was manager.

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Louis B. Anderson Fights for His Job.

Attorney Louis B. Anderson, who has been for fifteen years Assistant County Attorney for Cook county, with three other white employes, has been removed from office. States Attorney Hoyne has taken charge of the county office and appointed men to take the places of those that have been serving. Mr. Anderson and the three other attorney's are civil service men and backed by the Civil Service Commission will fight for the retention of their places through the courts.

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Whereabouts of George Madden.

Mr. Richard Rollison wishes to know the whereabouts of Mr. George Madden, formerly of the vaudeville team of Rollins & Madden. Address Richard Rollison, 3412 Wabash ave.

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Pompei Cabaret.

On Tuesday afternoon there was the weekly cabaret at the Pompei. Mr. "Joe" Shoecraft, the popular manager and owner, entertained in honor of Mr. J. Leubrie Hill and his company. It was the most largely attended cabaret that has been given in this coty. The ladies were out in their spring styles and hats. All the leading ladies of the show were there "dressed to kill" and Mr. Hill paid his respects and the whole house extended him a cordial welcome. Mr. Shoecraft acted as toastmaster and introducer, made a speech that made things hum. Mr. Jones orchestra furnished the music and it was the best ever heard at the Cabaret. The program opened with Tom Lomonier's Pompei Tango, Oriental Tango, Wonderful Night, Thans for the Lobster, At the Ball. the songs being for the most part written by Mr. Hill and played by Mr. Clarence Jones' orchestra. Mr. Shoecraft is greatly pleased with the patronage of his friends and has something in store for the cabaret on next Tuesday.

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Entertained by Julius Glenn.

The Freeman correspondent was entertained by Mr. Julius Glenn on last Monday at the 63d Street Cafe. Miss Daisy Martin was in the party. A delightful luncheon, a special order, was nerved with wine trimmings. Mr. Glenn was happy in that he said that it was always a pleasure to have the honor to entertain the press, as it was through them that so much information is gained about affairs of a racial nature. Mr. Glenn gave out some very helpful information with reference to stage life. Miss Martin who represented the ultra fashionable style in garments and whose especially artistic fantastic steps in her profession added much to the occasion.

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Editor R. S. Abbott Ill.

Editor R. S. Abbott, who is the publisher and editor of the Chicago Defender, styled the "world's greatest weekly," is ill at his home, 3159 State street. He is being carefully nursed by Mrs. Henrietta P. Lee. His thousands of friends wish him a speedy recovery.

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A. N. Fields.

Mr. A. N. Fields, who has achieved some respectful attention as a political writer, has been selected by the Citizens Committee to do the press work in interest of the candidacy of Mr. Charles Griffin who is to run for Alderman of the Second Ward.

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Logan On the Job.

Clarence Logan has certainly been on the job ever since being in the "Windy City."

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Mr. William Brown, the straight man of the Follies, is stopping at 34th and Wabash ave. and Miss Ethel Williams is stopping with Miss White, 10 East 28th st.

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The Pre-Lenten season is on but it was broken on Sunday night by Joe Shoecraft to do homage and pay respects to J. Leubrie Hill and his company at the National Theater. In the party were James Marshall, of Allen & Marshall, Sam Davis, of Davis & Walker, Dr. H. H. Roger, Walter Beacon and Attorney B. M. Mosely.

MARCH'S APPEARANCE.

INDICTMENTS ARE RETURNED

Against Railroad Companies—Furnished Poor Facilities in Cars for Colored People—Winning Plain Justice.

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Mar. 9.—Indictments were returned in the Circuit Court, Judge J. T. Hanberry sitting, here today against the Louisville & Nashville, the Illinois Central and the Tennessee Central railroads for discrimination practiced in the quality of the cars and service given to the colored people in the jim-crow cars.

Six indictments were returned by the grand jury against the Louisville & Nashville and one each against the other two roads. The indictments charge that the railroads have violated the law in discriminating in the quality, convenience and accommodations in the cars set apart for the white and colored passengers. Under the separate coach law of the State this is a misdemeanor and the penalty provided is a fine of not less than $500 nor more than $1,500 for each offense.

This is considered to be a signal victory for the colored people of Hopkinsville and the State of Kentucky. The coaches set apart for them have been the merest makeshifts, being dirty, unsanitary and provided with single toilet rooms, which colored men and women have been forced to use in common.

Repeated requests have been made by the colored people to the management of the railroads, and on one occasion to the State Railroad Commission, without securing relief. Finally, The Saturday News, of this city, of which Phil H. Brown is editor, published an editorial calling attention to the injustice that is being done the colored people by the miserable transportation that has been afforded them for the same fares that the white people are paying for comforts and conveniences of travel.

The Saturday News has a large reading clientage among the white people of this county, and Commonwealth Attorney Denny P. Smith took the matter before the grand jury, now sitting here, and the indictments were secured. He was ably assited by Judge John Feland, one of the leaders of the Kentucky bar and a warm friend to the colored people; C. W. Merriweather and Walter Robinson, members of the local bar, E. W. Glass and Peter Postell, prominent colored business men, and practically all of the better classes of both races in this city.

The people here are congratulating themselves upon the fact that the most tangible movement toward securing equal accommodations upon the railroads in Kentucky emanates from Hopkinsville, where the feeling between the races is better than that of any place south of the Ohio river. It is not believed that these indictments could have been secured in any other county in the State of Kentucky, or elsewhere in the South.

Members of the better element of the white race have invested their efforts in securing the indictments, which are believed to mark a new era for the Negro in the South, especially in the matter of transportation.

As soon as it was known that the indictments had been found the leaders of the colored people set plans afoot to hold a monster mass meeting congratulatory of Commonwealth Attorney Smith, Judge Feland, Phil Brown, E. W. Glass and others who interested themselves in securing the rights of the Negro.

KANSAS CITY LEAGUE BOOMING.

Dr. Booker T. Washington Present at Recent Meeting—Speaks to a Big Audience at the Second Baptist Church.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The Kansas City Negro Business League is in many respects the most virile organization among our people in Kansas City. Its influence is felt in civic, fraternal, educational and church circles as is true of no other local organization among our people in this city. It is generally regarded as being, with possibly one or two exceptions, the most active and strongest of the Negro Business League Organizations throughout the country. It is striking out in fundamental directions, teaching the people how to improve their condition right at home.

The League has just entered upon the plan of holding 20 meetings in 20 different churches during the year, in which business activity shall be advocated and put before the people in the strongest manner possible. The Negro people of Kansas City have been united through the Local Negro Business League in a way that no other organization has ever succeeded in doing.

The banner meeting of the League was held here Wednesday night, March 4, at which time the president of the National League, Dr. Booker T. Washington, was present. Throughout the Negro section of the city nearly every business place and many of the fine residences of the people were decorated with flags, bunting and with the picture of the Tuskegeean. Dr. Washington stopped over en route to California, where he is to deliver a series of addresses until March 22d in southern California. These engagements have been arranged, it is announced, by Dr. John Willis Baer, president of the Occidental College, Los Angeles, and will serve to bring the Tuskegee educator before groups of the most important and wealthiest people of southern California.

Asked for some statement as to his reception here at Kansas City, Dr. Washington said: "Since I was last here I note that much improvement has been made in buying property. Our people are living in better houses and finer houses, more costly houses. They are spreading out in business directions.

"Speaking from a personal point of view, I was surprised and pleased at the thorough and well planned organization that had in hand the matter of my entertainment in the city. Because of wise planning, I have been permitted to see all that is best among our people within a few hours. I have seen them in their schools, their colleges and I have seen their business and professional enterprises. I was greatly surprised as I went through the streets to find United States flags over the business place of nearly every colored man, and my picture in evidence, and I had no idea before coming here that the colored section of the city would be decorated in the way it was in my honor. Of course I need not say that I was greatly gratified because of the magnificent reception accorded me at all the public schools and at Western University presided over by my friend, Dr. H. T. Kealing. Dr. Kealing certainly has a wide-awake, live set of students and teachers. The wholesomeness and generosity of my reception here from beginning to end has been a matter of genuine surprise and gratification to me."

Dr. Washington spoke Wednesday night at the Second Baptist church to an audience of hundreds of our people who filled every inch of available space and overflowed to the sidewalks. The reception given him was one long to be remembered. A banquet in Dr. Washington's honor was also tendered him at the conclusion of his magnificent address. Present at this banquet were the leading ministers, the leading business and professional men, and most of the leaders in every line of activity among our people in Kansas City.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. E. N. Bryant, editor of a colored paper of this city, is now in the city jail charged with embezzlment of books and records of an insurance company of which he is alleged to have been president. The requisition issued by the Governor of Mississippi is in the hands of an officer of that state, who is awaiting the result of the fourth writ of habeas corpus under which he seeks release from the Oklahoma City jail, where he is being held.

Prof. John Lampton, of Pawnee, Okla., is in the city on business. Prof. Lampton is the only photographer in Pawnee and receives considerable patronage from the whites.

Mrs. M. Cotton, of 229 W. Washington street, is on the sick list.

The B. Y. P. U., of which Deacon Irwin Dunger is both local and district president, is progressing nicely.

KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL!

Mrs. Booker T. Washington to Be the Guest of the City—The Negro Business of This City and What They Are Doing for the Advancement of the Race—Teachers Review Course Being Given at the State Normal—Rev. D. C. Carter's Criticism of Students and Authority—Prof. C. L. Timberlake on Speaking Tour, "The Second Crusade of the State Normal"—The State Teachers' Review—Member of the National Negro Press Association.

(By Hardin Tolbert, Publicity Bureau at People's Pharmacy, Both Phones 666, Box 233.)

Mrs. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee, Ala., will be the guest of the city, March 17th. Under the auspices of the National Federation of Women's Club, she will be at the beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Brooks, on the corner of Ann and Blanton sts. Mrs. Booker T. Washington is one of the most noted and foremost among the women leaders of our race. She will lecture at the First Baptist church the night of the 17th. An informal reception will be given at Mrs. Brooks in her honor in the afternoon from 2 to 6 p. m. for ladies only. Mrs. Washington has toured nearly every state and territory in the United States, and her message will be highly appreciated by the public, who are invited to be present at the church on Tuesday night to hear this intellectual and practical lecturer. A welcome from every nook and corner is extended to hear Mrs. Washington. Don't miss this opportunity.----The Teachers' Review Course at the Kentucky Normal & Industrial Institute began March 9th. A large number of teachers throughout the state are in attendance. The institution can hardly accommodate the teachers on account of being the largest number of students that has ever attended the institution here now. Students are forced to board in the vicinity on account of lack of room in the dormitory of both young ladies and men. There is still a large number of teachers expected this week to take up the review work, which will entitle them to first class certificate in the county examinations. The examinations can be taken here and papers transferred to the various counties of which they desire. Many teachers are taking advantage of this opportunity.----We have many of our people in business whose patronage among some are almost exclusively whites and some both white and colored. Among them are Mr. T. L. Brooks, contractor, who built two of the largest businesses in the city done by a colored contractor—the Hume Hall and the Mechanical Shop of the State Normal. Mr. Brooks has a lot of real estate, and his wife is proprietor of a grocery and a first class caterer, and they are Christian people. Mr. Wm. Price, better known as Kid Price, has recently opened a restaurant on Washington st. Mr. Price keeps a nice house with everything neat and clean. Mr. B. F. Sayre, for nearly thirty years, has been at the shoemakers trade, of whose trade is principally white. Mr. James B. Clay, the most experienced barber in the city, whose business is located in the Odd Fellows building. Mr. Clay is among the few barbers that are members of lodges. He is a member of the K. of P.'s and Odd Fellows lodges. Mr. T. K. Robb is the only undertaker and liveryman among colered in the city. He has flourished in the political field. Mrs. Winnie Collins, for a number of years has been conducting a boarding house, 431 Clinton st. She has her meals regular at the appointed hour. Mrs. D. E. Reid is proprietress of the only grocery on Normal Heights in an exclusive colored settlement, which is well patronized in the community with those with race principle. Mrs. Lou Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Parker are among the caterers of the city. The Peoples' Pharmacy (incorporated), that popular place for all the people where many accommodations is asked, and few who pay their bills, or something on it. Dr. H. H. Jackson is the efficient pharmacist who is assisted by the clerk, Mr. L. H. Smith. Mrs. Josephine McCorn is conductin a boarding house and restaurant with prices reasonable, 421 Clinton st. Mr. John H. Guy, a resident of East Main, is a young progressive contractor, of whose business is mostly patronized among white people. Mrs. Mary Twyman, the oldest colored restaurant proprietor in the city, still having a nice success. Mr. B. F. Spencer, the oldest shoemaker in the city, and has learned several men the trade. Mr. J. C. Brown, a contractor whose business is mostly among the white people, has made a splendid success at this business. Mr. L. M. Taylor, the well known restaurant proprietor, has opened a nice eating house, 406 Dudley ave. The Frankfort Pressing Club, of which Mr. G. W. Martin is proprietor, where second hand clothes are bought and sold. Mrs. Lizzie Watters is proprietor of a restaurant on Washington. She enjoys a nice patronage. She is a Christian woman. Coleman & Bros. are the only colored coal yard in the city. They are patronized by white and colored. Mr. H. C. Brown has for a few years been engaged in the transfer business, and has patronage of both white and colored. Hudson & Ray, cleaning and pressing establishments, are doing very satisfactory work. They are increasing their stock each year. Mr. Bud Russell is running a three chair barber shop with the tonsorial artists Messrs. Phillip Clark, George Wright and Mr. Robinson. Valet Cleaning, & Pressing System is conducted by Messrs. Blackburn and Woolridge, who are getting along very nicely. Mr. Obanial Russell, who is better known as Bainty, is well known in the garbage and kindling hauling circle among white and colored, and is progressing. Mr. J. L. Lawson is an architect and is head of the mechanical department at the K. N. & I. I. Mr. Brawon Graves has been for a number of years among the trash and barbage haulers and is doing nicely. Dr. H. B. Rosby is the only colored dentist in the city in the Odd Fellow building. Prof. E. Closus Payne, a graduate of the Indiana Music Conservatory, is the only person who is making a living giving voice and instrumental music. There are others.----Misses Marietta P. Madisan, C. A. Boyd, who have had superior training. Miss Boyd is head of the music department at the Clinton St. High School and Miss Madison that department at the Shelbyville public school. Both are competent teachers. Eugene Stone Barber Shop, 410 Mero Shop, the only shop run by a widow of which Mr. Albert Hellacks is manager. This shop has a nice patronage. Mr. H. C. McClelland has recently opened up a shoe shop, 325 Clinton st. Mrs. D. C. Carter and Mrs. Lizzie Johnson Rosby are the hair dressers who are making a nice success at the business. Mrs. Dolly Cross, 420 Fowler st., is a seamstress and is doing work guaranteed. Mr. William Allen is proprietor of a restaurant, 313 Mero st., with everything well cooked and ready on the hour. Mr. Rodger & Bryant are proprietors of the only colored uphostery shop in the city and are making a nice success. Miss Virga Madison and Mrs. Caroline T. Calloon are running successful night schools. Mr. Grant Owens has a billiard parlor and cigar stand on Clinton st. with no opposition. Mr. James A. Ray is the energetic hustling agent for the Standard Life Ins. Co. and is making the business a go. Mr. Sam Guy, barber shop, is an old stand on Washington st. Mr. Clifton Peoples, a graduate of the State Normal, is one of the barbers, assisted by Mr. John Flemming. The Normal boys are on the alert to give a Normalite their trade. Mr. Press Martin, the coal hustler through the streets is a pretty good prophet when the cold waves are coming. Rev. D. C. Carter, pastor of the A. M. E. church, criticized the students at the State Normal, in which he said many of them were living immoral lives, drinking and carrousing with women. He then referred to the school being in politics, which should be a non-partisan school, and the authorities of this institution were too loose with the rein on the student, and not enough Christiantly taught. He further said that there were no thorough competent trades taught, and with all that plan place should be made and employment given the students instead of their working the city and cutting wages. He partically made allusion to the supporters of the institution who were working for their own personal interests, and that this institution was too local. He praised Supt. Barkesdale Hamlett for trying to take the school out of politics and put it in the same footing as the two white normal schools.----Mrs. James C. Brown, the attractive young lady, was the hostess of a party at her beautiful residence on High st. in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greenup of Vancouver Island. Covers were laid for eight, with a sumptuous spread of seven courses. The guests were much elated over the hospitality of Mrs. Brown, and her friendly winning personality. She is one of the pilots in the aristocratic circle and a member of the First Baptist church.----Dr. E. E. Underwood, the veteran physician at the capital, has returned from French Lick Springs, Ind., where he hs been for a few weeks for his health. Dr. Underwood is supreme keeper of record and seal of the Knights of Pythias with offices in the second floor of the Odd Fellows building.----Mr. Barven Beachum has returned from Bloomfield, after a few days. Mr. Beachum is one of the local sports at the Capital Hotel. He is all right, but he failed to bring his wife back with him. "That got you, Steven."----Miss Georgie Tuner and Mr. Tilford Young were united in marriage at the residence of the bride, by Rev. D. C. Carter, at 6:30 p. m. Both were looking ambrosial. The bride carried a bunch of American Beauties. They left on the C. & O. train for Lexington where they spent their honeymoon. A large number of friends were at the depot to see them off. Many handsome presents were presented them.----Prof. Robert Harrold, the electrician at the State Normal, is presenting some very didactic motion pictures at the State Normal each Friday night. These pictures raises the ideals of the students high and is a good educational movement, but few of the city people ever attend these pictures. There is a howl why don't the Normal attend our concerts in the city. Why don't you attend the Normal concerts on the hill? Just think before you grumble.----Mr. Geo. Halloch was a guest of the city to see his parents. There is some rumors of him marrying a Frankfort girl.----Messrs. Morris and Bonta have opened a first class grocery on the corner of Capital ave. and Second st., with a full line of groceries and a fresh meat of all kinds. Fresh fish and on Friday and Saturday. Prices reasonable. Your patronage solicted.----Wanted—A good settled day and night nurse for baby. Appl yto Mrs. Jos. F. Montgomery, 514 Shelby St.----Miss Virginia Silvey, who has been ill for a few weeks, is able to be up and has gone back to teaching school at Lebanon. Miss Silvey is a graduate of the State Normal.----Mr. Horace Dale has been very ill, but is convalescing.----A festival was given at Mrs. W. H. Goodwin and Mrs. W. A. Scott for the benefit of the Kings Daughters Hospital.----Mrs. Laura Blackburn Clinton, of Cleveland, O., is the guest of relatives, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. T. K. Robb.----Prof. C. L. Timberlake, a rising young orator, will leave on a speaking tour. Theme: "The Second Crusade of the State Normal School." This young orator is contemplating on producing some facts that will present the institution in a bad light to the people, and through his discourse he will spare no time in skinning President G. P. Russell alive, of the State Normal. Prof. Timberlake believes this school is being used as a political tool for certain politicians. He is among the brave young men that will take the stump and vindicate the cause of the people, and his speech will be published. Watch this column.----Mr. and Mrs. Lenon Anderson were the hostess of a quiet reception at their cozy little home in Church st. The rooms were nicely decorated and a pleasant evening was enjoyed among the younger set. A four course menu was served. Those present: Mr. Sylvester William, Mr. Robert Clark, Mr. James Greenwood and Miss Eva Russell, Miss Everline Thaw Canada, Misses Nellie Harris, Farris Flemmings, Lonette White, Mr. John L. Wheeler, Miss Jennie Anderson delightfully catered the reception.----Mrs. Mary E. Davis and Master Joseph left for Chicago.----Miss Maggie Knight and Mrs. Polia Grant has returned from Louisville.----Mrs. Nettie Callery, of Louisville, is the guest of her mother.----Mrs. Katheran Ballenger, of Evanston, Ill., was called to the city on the illness of her brother, Mr. Robert Conda.----Mr. Thomas T. Jonnier spent a day in Louisville the guest of Miss Minnie D. Haydon of Midway.----Mrs. Robert Lyons died after a few months' illness. She was well thought of by all the people.----Mrs. Mary Bearley died after a few weeks' illness. A few months ago her husband died.----Prof. C. Echols Payne will give a musical recital in Lexington at Asbury M. E. church. Miss M. DeCelia Hagood, accompanist. Prof. Payne is a graduate of the Indiana School of Art. His success in this city at the churches was triumph of victory, with his superior training in the art of music. Prof. Payne is doing a great work for our people to learn them to cultivate their voice.----Mrs. August Motan exquisitely entertained the Church Aid. Mrs. W. W. Wilson and Mrs. J. A. Ray were their special guests.----There will be church festival given at the residence of Mrs. Eugene Stone, 410 Mero st., Saturday night. Look for the location and give your present and lend aid to the cause.

REV. DR. JOHN H. FRANK ON SEGREGATION—GATEWAY CITY.

(Melville Perdue, 1219 W. Chestnut St., Louisville, Ky., Phone City 5038.)

The Rev. Dr. John H. Frank, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, delivered a most eloquent address before the Minister's and Deacon's Meeting of this city last Monday morning on the subject of "Enforced Segregation." His address was based on "And he hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined their times before appointed and the bounds of their habitation." Acts 17:26. He said in part that every man is equal in anatomy, physiology, biology, psychology, theical and spiritual free and right. One is the more developed and trained than the other. The same moral law, "Thou shalt not kill; thou shalt not commit adultery," etc., fits every man except as in last Sunday morning's lesson, "where there is little known there is little required and where there is much known there is much required." What right has the white man to arrogate himself as the black man's superior and assign to him certain places where he may or may not live? Has he not the same blood, morals, religion, mind? What has the white man done that the colored man cannot do? He has done as much bad as the white man and he has done on the other hand as much good as the white man. What right has he to segregate? I am beginning to think that if some of those white people, who have moved here since I have been born, don't like my company, they had better move out. The better class of white people don't like it and it is only the Slav, the Dago, the low principled Jew who is clamoring for such an enactment.

There are no two things alike in the whole universe. No two clovers alike, no two roses alike, no two men alike and no two races alike and their differences do not warrant their isolation one from the other. It is true that we have some people who are not as yet ready for civilization and freedom is not bad to admit, so the white man has some who are not as yet ready for civilization and freedom despite all of their years of freedom and training. Two wrongs do not make one right, but it is good sometimes to point out to the white man his short comings when he tries to magnify ours. My people have endured the inconvenlicenses, discomforts and privations of poverty for years and I suppose we shall continue to survive all such that may be imposed upon us. Gentlemen, the truth is, whether or not we believe it is that peace and happiness and prosperity are from within rather than from without, and the time has come for our city fathers to rise above race prejudice and class hatred, believing in the renaissance of humanity, accepting the fact that God is at the heart of the universe, that he is the Father of all the family of man, and that we are brothers whatever the complexion of skin.

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A campaign is on in our city for the erection of a Y. W. C. A. for the white girls. At this writing it does not seem to sweep the city with the same enthusiasm as did the campaign for the Y. M. C. A. We wonder if it is because of the fact that the leaders of this work were too narrow to realize the fact that the colored girls are in need of one perhaps worse than they are and have refused to lend them a helping hand?

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Notices are out announcing the first annual entertainment of the Alpha Mu Omega Fraternity, which is to be held in the State University Chapel, Friday evening, March 27th. This entertainment is being happily looking forward to with keen delight by the cultured people of the city, as it is understood that the affair will be of the highest class. They have named their entertainment "An Evening with the Old Folks."

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The local branch Y. M. C. A. on last Saturday evening defeated the Springfield, Ohio, Y. M. C. A. basket ball team to the tune of 19 to 16. Quite an appreciative audience was present to witness this game, which was scheduled as the crowning game of the whole season and right glad were they that the honors of the contest remained at home. The Springfield boys were entertained by the local branch. Here's hoping that this game means continued relations between the two associations.

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Mrs. Daisie Warfield, of 1018 W. Zane st., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Gertrude G. Mahin, in Franklin, Ky.

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It was our pleasure to be present at the Senior Oration Day exercises at the State University on last Monday. The chapel was beautifully decorated and the program rendered was a pleasant one indeed. Many interesting and live subjects were discussed and the young people are to be commended by their wise selections and good rendition.

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A plan is on foot for the erection of a Colored Hotel in this city. If such a plan is matured it will meet a long felt need. Louisville has a growing population, and the demand for better rooming and boarding accommodations is growing keener. We are told that responsible business men are behind it and that the project seems assured.

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Mrs. Booker T. Washington is expected in our city during the next week. While here she will address a mass meeting to be held in the University chapel Monday the 16th at 8 o'clock.

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A new undertaking establishment has entered the field in the person of the May & Moran monumental undertakers. It is the purpose of this company to furnish a monument with every funeral of fifty dollars and over. They are located at 441 South 15th st.

NEWS OF SOUTH BEND, IND.

Mr. Samuel Lambert left the city Monday, March 9, for St. Paul, Minn., where he expects to remain several weeks.----Mrs. G. C. Clay is still on the sick list.----Mr. Miles Webb, photographer of Chicago, has been in the city for several days taking group pictures of both white and colored organizations. So impressed is Mr. Webb with the people of South Bend, he is contemplating the opening of a studio here. Mr. Webb was accompanied by Prof. Dean, traveler and lecturer. Prof. Dean will lecture at the A. M. E. church in the near future on Africa, from when he recently returned.----Attorney and Mrs. J. W. Thomas entertained Sunday, March 8, at a dinner in honor of Miss Velma Poe, of Memphis, Tenn.----Readers of The Freeman were quite disappointed at not seing any South Bend items in last week's issue.

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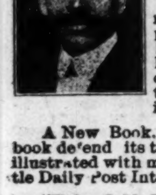

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A New Book, entitled **"The Black Man the Father of Civilization."** This book defend its title exclusively by the Bible, and therefore has nothing to fear. This book is illustrated with many pictures. Price $1 00 by mail. The following comment is from the Seattle Daily Post Intelligencer:

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Short Flights

By R. W. Thompson.

Only cowards write anonymous letters.

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Little neglect pile up mountains of disaster.

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The Negro is going through a season of "watchful waiting."

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If the dear women really want to vote, why—they will just vote, that's all.

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Some folks want only the evidence that your enemies find pleasure in giving.

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There is a big difference in doing business and merely writing about business.

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We never know that some fellows are cranks until they take to writing alleged poetry.

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Is there to be a clash between and Philadelphia over the printing of the A. M. E. church?

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Peacemakers may be "blessed," as Holy Writ asserts; but they are not always called "the children of God."

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Chief Sam might escape a multitude of embarrassments by carrying his followers into Mexico instead of to Africa.

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S. C. Napier is one of the few Americans who are bigger out of government office than in. Such men are indeed "the salt of the earth."

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What is the matter with Cincinnati as the meeting place of the National Negro Business League in 1915? How about it, Brother "Joe" Jones?

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Honest men can afford to await the vindication that comes when Blackhanders and other rouges fall out—as they are sure to do in time.

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There is no issue between the friends of Booker T. Washington and the friends of The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

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Concert managers who fail to honor the press with complimentary tickets indicate that they do not care to have their entertainments mentioned in the public prints.

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Dress reformers continue to vigorously denounce the corset as a potent factor in the divorce mill, but we understand they are still worn by many of the fair sex.

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The next financial secretary of the A. M. E. Zion church will have to beat that modern J. Pierpont Morgan—Rev. B. G. Shaw, of St. Louis. So the wiseacres say.

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The support or opposition of a yaller journal is a negligible quantity. Its favor suggests a subsidy and its enmity is accredited to unfounded malice. So there you are!

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Those who look far into the future are hinting that the A. M. E. Zion church would do the wise thing if it elects three Bishops at the Louisville General Conference in 1916.

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When "Phil" Waters, West Virginia's accredited republican leader, thinks of the Assistant Registership of the Treasury, his mobile countenance takes on a Mona Lisa smile.

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It isn't everybody that can stand prosperity. Folks who seemed to have good sense while they were struggling in the ditch, turn out to be jackasses when they get a good job.

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Banker J. C. Napier urges the young colored man to read the Finance and Trade page of the daily newspaper with the same avidity that he turns to the "pink sheet" that tells of baseball, prize fights and horse races. Point well taken, Mr. Napier!

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It gives a man a standing in the business world to pay his obligations with check. It tells the world delicately, but convincingly, that you have that indisputable evidence of thrift, a bank account. Pay with a check—and make an impression!

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A little over a year from now the great Panama-Pacific International Exposition will open its gates to the world. What part will the American Negro play therein? Now is the time to be up and doing if we would let the Universe know that we are in the game of progress.

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Let us not overlook this very important fact as we go along: When a man becomes president of the United States, be he of this party or that, he becomes President of the whole people, black and white, Jew and Gentile, rich and poor. As such, he is entitled to the confidence and sympathetic support of all.

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Two friends in New York City recently provided the money with which to erect and equip an up-to-date building at the Tuskegee Institute, to be used for the purpose of canning products of the institution and teaching students the latest and best methods of canning all kinds of garden and farm products.

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The Pharrow Construction Company, the same firm that erected the Odd Fellows' building at Atlanta, is to put up an office building at Savannah, Ga., for the Wage Farmers' Loan and Investment Company a at cost of $40,000. The home of the bank will be three stories in height and will be modern in every respect.

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W. P. Dabney, editor and publisher of The Union at Cincinnati, Ohio has been appointed for the fourth time assistant paymaster of the Queen City. The newspaper man has waited long for the "joy that cometh in the morning," and is exceedingly glad that the dawn seems to be arriving. This is a newspaper man's administration in state and nation.

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The sprightly Nashville Globe is to run a daily during the $100,000 campaign of the Y. M. C. A. in that city. This is "enterprise" with a capital "E," and Editor Hart is to be congratulated upon his public spirit and journalistic courage in undertaking such a stupendous project. A hustling newspaper man can do anything if the people will just stand by him with their sympathy—and cash.

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Bishop Chappelle, who would never have been a Bishop but for the capacity of the Negro for compact organigation and race pride, astounds the sensible colored people of the country by declaring that he is sorry he is a Negro and decrying racial solidarity. This kind of thing may ultimately lead the church of Daniel A. Payne to feel that the "recall" might he a good remedy for some hasty Episcopal selections.

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The colored citizens of Kentucky want and should have a state-wide board of trustees for the administration of the affairs of the Kentucky institution—not local—and its officers should represent the state at large rather than the town of Frankfort. The legislature should act in accord with the sentiment of the best colored people in Kentucky and spread out the Board from the mouth of the Big Sandy to the limpid waters of the Mississippi.

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Although he died without being able to make a will, Wilson D. Kistler, a wealthy miner-banker, of Lock Haven, Pa., made it known to his family and attorney that he desired to make bequests to educational and charitable institutions in many parts of the country, and the intent of the multi-millionaire will be carried out by the family. Among the schools to receive substantial beenfits is Tuskegee Institute. The Kistler estate is said to be worth about $6,000,000.

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What do you know about this? At Norfolk, Va., C. A. Palmer, clerks in the city delivery department of the local postoffice, was examined as to his knowledge of city distribution and made an average of 99.66 per cent. H. W. Melvin, a clerk in the mailing division, was examined as to his knowledge of the third or western section of North Carolina and made an average of 99.48 per cent. Isn't that "goingsome?" Both are colored men. men.

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Editor J. C. Gilmer, of the Charlestown (W. Va.) Advocate, denominates the plan to call a National Negro Congress together at Washington in May "a cute little scheme," and will have none of it. The feeling is pretty general that many of these so-called "conferences" are just "cute little schemes" to frame up notoriety for some needy individual—to rehabilitate the political fortunes or finances of some clique or faction. You don't catch your Uncle Gilmer "napping."

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Four members of the National Negro Press Association visited and addressed the classes of the Meharry Medical College at Nashville, Tenn., during the recent convention of the Association and were deeply impressed with all they saw, and were especially pleased with the splendid equipment of the Hubbard Memorial Hospital. The quartet was made up of M. J. Chisum, of the Baltimore Colored Man; D. A. Hart, of Nashville Globe; W. E. King, of the Dallas Express; and W. L. Porter, of the East Tennessee News.

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One of the ablest and most forcible newspaper men in the country is Charles N. Love, of the Texas Freeman. He "speaks right out in the meeting" and isn't afraid of anybody. He is wielding a helpful influence in the Great Southwest and has the right-thinking and right-doing people with him. It is expected that Mr. Love will be heard from to advantage at the Muskogee session of the National Negro Press Association in August. The Texas Freeman was founded a long time ago by Mr. Love, in conjunction with Emmett J. Scott, now the local drive-wheel of Tuskegee Institute.

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Dr. Booker T. Washington has no financial interest in the massive building of the Odd Fellows at Atlanta, but in keeping with his habit of telling about a good thing for the race when he sees it, he pays the projectors of the great structure a merited compliment and describes it as the most creditable institution of its kind in the country. The Odd Fellows' office building is truly one of the "show places" of the South and is a concrete exhibit of the capacity of the Negro to do things on a big scale. In saying so, without hesitation or equivcation, the "Wizard of Tuskegee" evinces an unselfishness that should characterize every real leader of his people.

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That little cabal of Negro "Black-Handers," apparently organized for the purpose of discrediting or discouraging every Negro official holding over under the present administration, isn't making the headway it expected. The leader of the gang, after drawing upon every possible influence for retention, was cut lose from the government payroll, and immediately began a vigorous campaign against everything connected with the existing order—condemning colored employees where he dared and advising others to resign. Neveretheless, the campaign of the Black-Handers fell to the ground, as broad-minded federal officials pay no attention to the wails of disgruntled derelicts or the malicious plaints of fellows who seek to use them to grind their personal axes of vengeance.

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Colored messengers stand high in the esteem of the officials they serve capably and well, as was indicated by the attendance of five members of the Supreme Court of the United States at the funeral of Archibald Lewis, at Washington, who had been an attache of that eminent tribunal for half a century. By this generous act the Justice of the Supreme Court, like all sensible people, handed down the opinion that all labor efficiently performed, however humble it may appear, is honorable, and the worker is entitled to recognition from the most exalted citizens in the land. No Negro is in a position to point the finger of scorn at any other Negro on account of what the latter may happen to follow for a living. The black man who does so is a Fool—with a prefix not admissible in a family newspaper. All of us are "servants," of one kind or another—and so are white people, from the President down.

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The Bishops of the A. M. E. church are being asked to show the rank and file of the denomination why the A. M. E. Sunday-school Union is to be denied the time-honored privilege of printing the Discipline and Hymnals of that church. It is declared that Secretary Ira T. Bryant has built up a magnificent plant at Nashville, where he gives steady and lucrative employment to over fifty persons of the race, and the highly pertinent question is propounded "Why take away from a church institution this big-paying job and farm it out by contract to a white firm, which employs probably no Negroes and which returns no benefits to members of the A. M. E. church?" The Bishops also say the Discipline must not be sold for less than forty cents. Mr. Bryant the skilled and economical printer, says he can sell it for less and make a reasonable profit. Why not allow Mr. Bryant to print and sell the Discipline at a rate that will place this illuminating volume within the reach of the humblest communicant of the A. M. E. church? These are leading questions and answers that will "wash" should be given.

EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Clark Heath was able to be out Sunday after a spell of illness.----Rev. O. R. Hall lectured to Baptist church of Wellsville, Ohio, on the 24th of February.----A. M. E. church of East Liverpool gave an entertainment for the benefit of the Wilberforce College.----On the 23d of February the Missionary of East End met with L. Robison, of Wellsville, and they had a delightful time.----There was a reception given at Mr. and Mrs. Alexander's on the 27th of February in honor of Mrs. M. Cobb, the S. Lukes deputy.----The Sunday school of S. B. church of East End was largely attended.----Dr. I. R. Hall, of S. B. church delivered a strong sermon yesterday morning. Dr. O. R. Hall preached at Gardendale Sunday afternoon at 3:30 p. m., to the white Mission.----Messrs. J. G. Lovelace, A. H. Janning entertained a number of young people at the home of Mrs. M. B. Fountain, 1056½ Penn ave. Those present were Miss Mamie Warrick, Miss Bessie Willison, James McQueens, L. Thorne, W. T. Hawains E. A. Jackson, J. E. Fields, Jr., George Paine. At 6 p. m. a luncheon was served.----At 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Butler, of Wellsville, entertained the following young people: Misses Bertha Eans, Emma Butler, C. G. Phillips, LeRoy Butler, Dinner was served.----Dr. O. R. Hall preached a strong sermon, "God Search for One Man," 7:30 p. m. At 8 o'clock Dr. Cotton delivered a strong sermon on "Gathering the Sheaves."----Go to E. A. Lomsand Co. for fine fresh oysters and poultry. Everything strictly first class. Mulberry st., 223 L. O. Feb. 26, 1914.----There were a number of young people on a sled party out at the home of Daniel Southall, where they were highly entertained. A delicious luncheon was served. Those present at the party were Miss Darsey Omey Wilson, Mary Scott, Marie Walter, Sarah Schanes, Jessie Smith, Lula Eulal, Forney Pearle Smith, Marie Warmick, E. F. Burnes, Harold Dorsey, Hoddar Smith, Alfred Tate, Omin Smith, George Houston, Albert Houston, Willie Southall Frank Ramey, Margaret Cobb, Julia Kelly, Mrs. Dorsey and Mrs. Satt, David Southall as chaperone.

DENISON TEXAS.

Denison can boast of having twenty-two colored grocery stores, two dry goods, one drug store, four doctors.----All citizens of Denison looking forward to the election on 21st of March.----Mr. C. A. Daniels left last Sunday to resume his post with the Alabama Minstrels.----On last Thursday evening, at 8 p. m., Miss Sweetie Turner and Mr. R. L. Guinn united in matrimony at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. V. Turner, 331 E. Shepard st. The bride haled from one of the best families of Hughes Springs, Tex. They are now at their own home, at 1208 W. Johnson st., Denison, Tex.----All those wishing to read the Freeman will find it at Palmer barber shop, 116 W. Main st., on Saturday.

MONTGOMERY, WEST VIRGINIA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie McKinney attended the funeral of Mr. John Haskins, at Ward, W. Va., Monday.----A concert was given at the Odd Fellows Hall, Monday evening, under the management of Mrs. Lillie Gough.----Mrs. Alice Hankins has returned home from Handsford, W. Va.----Mrs. Mildred Banks, of Handly, was the guest of Mesdames Watson and Clark, Friday.----Don't forget to visit Capt. Reece's shining parlor. You will always find Freeman and get a first class shine.----Mrs. Jennie Johnson is reported on the sick list.----Mr. George Scott attended the burial of Miss Forest Simms, at Charleston, Sunday.----Mr. Alfred Sherman is able to be out after several weeks' illness.----The True Reformers gave an entertainment at the Fisherman Hall, Thursday evening. Quite a neat sum was raised for the order.----Rev. Warner Brown preached an excellent sermon Sunday morning. The weather was awful, but he had good attendance.----Mr. Vateli Willis left Sunday for McDonald, W. Va., where he will spend several weeks visiting relatives.----The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church, gave an oyster supper at the home of Mrs. John Arnold. It was a decided success.----Mrs. Sarah Lemons remains quite ill at Sheltering Arm Hospital.----Rev. Warner Brown, of First Baptist church, on College ave., had a fine rally at his church last Sunday. The members and friends responded well. Rev. Brown is certainly using up to date business methods in financial end of church.

BUDDING POETS.

John Thomas Tolbert and Aaron W. Dade—Two Young Negroes of Promise.

Indianapolis has two young colored men who are something in the line of poesy. In fact, they are making commendable strides, showing enough of the proper stuff to deserve encour- John Thomas Tolbert came from Kentucky several years ago. He received a part of his education there, attending Hyde's Academy, Bowling Green, Ky. He attended Indianapolis schools more recently. Tolbert is 2- years of age. He is industrious, he works at the Fairmount Glass Works His leisure time is put in his favorite pastime—writing verses. His verses show merit, both his lyrics and his dialect compositions. The young poe has appeared in public, reading his own compositions with success.

Tolbert has dedicated one of his poems to Geo. L. Knox, of the Freeman, whom he admires.

"TO HON. GEO. L. KNOX."
By Jno. T. Tolbert.

You are a leaf from a rare old book
Whose leaves now are very few,
You have made life a masterpiece
You have not lived obscured.
The hairs of they hoary head
I count as thoughts of our struggling race,
I tune my lute and sing to thee
"A father that has kept his place."

'Tis not the humble or the great
But to thee I sing
I caught the spark of thy far spent life,
And see thee as a king.
Thou hast spent a noble life thus far
May God continue grace,
You must know what life is worth
Thou flower of the race.

I tuned my lute and sing of thee
To lend to thee a spark,
Your life has told so much to me
That I dread no more the dark.
You have truly inspired my heart to sing
This little praise endowed by God,
I herald you as an inspiration to our race
For you are a light to these that trod.

One can readily see that the personality and activities of Mr. Knox have inspired the young man to picture him in his verses. A lesson is in this. It is that we are not without observers. There's a "chile" among you taking notes well illustrates the point. Mr. Knox has inspired this young man who is deeply sensitive to passing things—the passing show, as it is semetimes put. He would reflect, throw back all he sees, which, in part, is the mission of the poet.

Tolbert prefers the dialect as his vehicle of expression. I think he is well predisposed in that he does. Here follow two compositions of that class:

"BOYS, YO BETTAH MIND."

"Shet you mouth, yo rascal yo,"
I'll tek dis switch an thrash yo thro,
Boy, yo needin stick out yo mouth,
Caze I'll whop yo ef you big is dis house.
Now youse done fergot de days I tread
Home to bring yo meat an' bread.
An' dar yo stand all big an' black
Givin yo mammy sum uf yo slack—
Boy, yo bettah mind.

Keep on sassin' ef you please,
I'll whop tell de Lawd's good to me.
Yo needin stand an mope an' grunt,
Ef I tek dis poker I bet you jump.
Now yo jest dast tuck ergain
In dis firah place you will lan.
Yo ur purty howdy do,
Yo look would brek er glass into.
Boy, yo bettah mind.

I'se bin noticin fur severel da
Dat you bin axins er ridiculous way
Jist her puffin an' runnin erbout
Lak youse de one dat own dis house
Boy, yo quit dat way yo do
Ef you don't de heaven fall on you
Jest you sass me ef yo dar
I'se sho done fergot my prayer
Boy, yo bettah mind.

Now youse done got er man to soon
I comb yo hed wid dis hyar broom
Yo nasty stinkin rascal yo
I feel lak brekin you haf in two.
Boy, don't sass me ergin
Caze ef you do it will be er sin
Ah! what I'll do to yo
Yo won't sot down when I get thro—
Boy, yo bettah mind.

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GROUND HOG.

Mistah man dat 'splain de weatah,
Needin 'splain no more to me
Caze I'se done fully satisfied
Dar more wintah to be
Since de ground hog's done seen his shadow and went back to his hole
To tek his second nap
While we shiver'd wid de cole.

Mandy, dat almanac ain't worth hafin
"Don't care what marstar said"—
Yo might keep er 'splainin
Till you up and drop fur dead.
I knows dat ground hog hab done seen his shadow
Now talk erbout no better wether
Yo talkin' lak ole marster bin up
An' seen erbout de weather.

Yo bettah be clinkin rag in dem cracks
'Stid ed talkin erbout de spring
Mockin' bird, robin and larks
Dat de south wind gwine to bring
Since dat ground hog hab done seen his shadow
Dar is eight week more fur winter's cold
Fur dis mornin' sun sho greet'd him
An' he walk back to his hole.

One can see something of the Dunbar touch in the above effusions. A number of his lines equal some of the best of Dunbar's. A real successor of that greatest of Negro poets is devoutly wished. Tolbert may be the man. If he keeps up his present pace I can't see why he should not be the man.

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Aaron W. Dade is 23 years of age. He, too, is from Kentucky, where he attended school. He has been in Indianapolis six years. He now goes to night school in this city, where he is studying rhetoric and English composition. He studies Greek and Latin at home with the view of bolstering his literary education. He is a molder, employed at the National Malleable Casting Works. He tends rather toward the lyrical. Here follows samples of his thought and the "garb" in which he clothes them:

HOPE.

Beneath the mountain I stand,
In an obscured land I dwell;
I see the light, 'tis far above,
Yet there is hope.
If only once I'd learn the way
The past would seem to me—a day.
—Aaron W. Dade.

"THE COUNCIL."

I sat in council, my soul and I,
I note the time as it pass by;
My soul did speak, and I took heed,
It told me of the things I need.

I thought a while, and then I asked.
Can man regain the days that past?
My soul's reply gave shock, pained;
"A day once lost cannot be gained."
—Aaron W. Dade.

Dade, it will be noticed, is ambitious in his themes. He's to some extent endowed with the divine afflatus, but it is evident that he must get himself a little better together. He is reading steadily, and which is the only medicine for his case. Both of the young men deserve encouragement. The race is expected to fling forward the diversity of human kind that other races fling forward. Our human nature will need the same props and stays, soothings, palliatives, amusements that other races require. Some for one thing some for another. The boys for poets, if they can make it.

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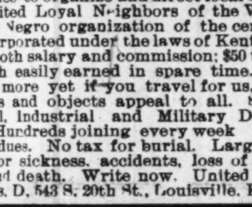
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NEGRO NEWSPAPERMEN ADJOURN CONVENTION

Favorable Comment Made on Meeting Published in the Tennessean.

Nashville, Tenn.

Resolutions voting thanks to Mayor H. E. Howse, the daily and weekly press of Nashville, Dr. R. H. Boyd, secretary of the national Baptist publishing board; H. Allen Boyd, corresponding secretary, and all persons who contributed to the success of the mid-winter meeting of the National Negro association, were adopted by that organization at the closing session Saturday afternoon, perhaps the most interesting session held during the two-days meeting of the Negro newspaper men.

At the morning session Mayor Howse spoke to the members briefly and offered some wholesome advice and encouraged them in the work which they are doing. Ben. J. Davis, editor of the Atlanta Independent, was selected to make response to the mayor. Among other speakers at the morning session were J. C. Napier, ex-registrar of the United States Treasury; Rev. Preston Taylor, who introduced Mayor Howse, and J. B. Mullens, who told of the plans of the Hortense Development Company which is undertaking to build a Negro town near Dickson, Tenn. Dr. F. A. Stewart, Ben. J. Carr, J. C. Crawley and Dr. J. T. Phillips were among the visitors presented at the session.

Taking up the subject of standardizing advertising matter for the Negro press, in the afternoon considerable discussion was had before the members finally instructed the appointment of a committee composed of Dr. R. H. Boyd, Tennessee; James A. Booker, Arkansas; L. L. Campbell, Texas; W. E. King, Texas, and B. J. Davis, Georgia, to work out a plan to be presented for adoption to the annual meeting to be held in August at Muskogee, Okla. The slogan, "Read the Newspaper, it is the University of the People," was adopted after the association had discussed a number of other appropriate lines, and it was voted that the Negro newspapers throughout the country shall comply with a request made of the association to send to Liepzig, Germany, copies of their publiactions for the purpose of having them put on exhibition at the exposition to be held there as showing what the American Negro is doing along the line of journalism.

The question of securing recognition as a newsgathering organization was one that received much attention at the afternoon session and plans were adopted through which it is sought to have extended to the members of the association certain courtesies from officials of city and state in every community.

A discussion was also had relative to departments run in some of the leading dailies for colored readers and this was welcomed by the association.

It developed that among the publications conducting such departments and which were considered beneficial to both races and indicative of friendly relations and good will between the races are The Nashville Tennesseean and American, Pittsburg Leader, Jacksonville, Fla., Times-Union, Chattanooga News, the Indianapolis News and other leading daily newspapers over the country. During the closing hours of the meeting considerable time was given over to the discussion of "boosting" the Negro press association and it was agreed that by interesting church conferences, teachers' associations, fraternal meetings and county fairs, good results might be obtained, this suggestion having come from H. L. Keith, who was given privilege to make a few congratulatory remarks. Under the auspices of the association a current news bulletin will also be placed in the oclored public schools throughout the country to further the plans of making the public better acquainted with the press of the race.

Following the adjournment several of the visitors were special guests of Dr. C. H. Phillips on Fourteenth avenue, north, where dinner was served by the bishop's family and other courtesies shown. Numerous other delegates were also at the same time entertained in the home of Dr. R. H. Boyd on Haiman street before leaving for their respective homes Saturday night.

OPENING HAIR PARLOR UNIQUE AFFAIR.

(By Floyd I. Grace.)

MADISONVILLE, Ky., March 2.—The opening of Mrs. P. G. Poindexter's Hair Parlor at her residence, 337 North street, was a brilliant affair. It was unique in every particular and will long be remembered by those who accepted the invitation extended all the ladies of Madisonville. Mrs. Lessie Dyle, who was in charge of the register, took the names of ninety-two ladies who attended between the hours of 6 and 10 p. m. Miss Daisy Cabell and Mrs. Carrie Diggs assisted Mme. Poindexter in receiving the guests. The decorations attracted much attention. The dining room, which was in charge of Mrs. Luther Collier and Miss Lucy Obryant, presented a beautiful appearance, decorated with potted plants, etc. The table, with a silk Japanese centerpiece bearing a large cut glass vase of ferns and American Beauty roses, made a beautiful scene. A large white cake made in the form of a basket attracted the attention of all present. Mrs. Alice Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carney assisted in serving an appetizing lunch. Misses Rose Jackson and Rebecca Edmunds were in the booths assisting in the demonstrations. As the ladies departed Miss Daisy Cabell presented them as a souvenir a folder containing the photograph of Mme. Poindexter, which was highly prized by all.

Spend a penny on your friends. Write me the news of your visitor or affair on a postal by Monday each week to 135 Spring street.

Miss Ora Lee, Miss Minnie Tate, Miss Deborah Couch and Miss Gertrude Thornton of Earlington were in the city Saturday shopping.

Mr. J. L. Gordon of Bowling Green, Ky., a prominent business man and grand master of the Odd Fellows' Lodge, was in the city Friday. Mr. Gordon visited the local lodge a few days ago. While here he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ross.

Revival services are in progress at Zion Temple. The pastor, Rev. Buckner, started the meeting last Sunday morning with a well-prepared sermon from John 12:37. Successful revivals have just closed at the East View Baptist and Oak Grove Baptist Churches.

Rev. R. P. Whitesides, the popular pastor of East View Baptist Church, is in Louisville engaged in a revival.

Mr. Arthur Washington, traveling tailor, was in the city last week in the interest of his line of business.

Messrs. Roger Cabell and Willis Nance spent several days last week in Henderson and Owensboro, Ky.

Rev. E. H. Edmundson of Greenville, Ky., preached at Zion Temple Thursday night.

What has become of the Embroidery Club? This club has been the social event of the week among the young ladies. Let us "write up" a meeting next week.

Mr. William Nelson of Bowling Green passed through the city Sunday en route to Providence, Ky., to attend an educational meeting held there Monday in the interest of the Bowling Green Academy.

If you fail to see The Freeman agent buy a Freeman at the Wooldridge hotel, 5c.

MUSKOGEE (OKLA.) NEWS.

(By John Williams.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. George W. White, who was recently shot and cut by two unknown Negroes at his home on Elgin ave., has completely recovered.____Major T. J. Elliot and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Predure have returned from Tulsa, Okla, where they attended a rousing meeting of the Oklahoma National Businessmen's League. The meeting was called to order by Lawyer Freeman L. Marting, and many valuable subjects were discussed.____The third Sunday in March will be a big jubilee day for the Odd Fellows of this city. The order will turn out in full bloom and have their sermon preached at one of the local churches. The name of the place and who will deliver the sermon will be published later.____The banquet given by the waiters of the Severs hotel was well attended last Friday night. The affair was carried out with good behaviour, and the guests were served in style.____Prof. W. E. Day and Prin. C. B. Bryant, of the local city high schools, deserve much credit for the remarkable success with the local concert given in honor of the senior class of the Manual Training High School. The affair was pulled off last Monday night at the Convention Hall and standing room only was at a premium. ____Rumor continue going the rounds that Miss Tessie Rae Granville will soon enter the deep sea of matrimony. This report seems to come from some reliable sources, but on investigation we find that no facts can be proven on which to base a theory.____Miss Lizzie Blocker, former society queen of Fort Worth, Texas, is winning high praises in her line of work. At present she is also an expert hair dresser and manicurist, and has held a position with one of the local white firms of the city for a number of years.____The famous Pastime theater will open for amusement on March 15th, with a swell cast of characters, including the McDaniel Stock Co., and the new management is hoping to book some of the best stock companies in the west to appear during the summer. The theater will be thoroughly overhauled and equipped with every convenience. ____Mrs. J. H. Little, the active young wife of our pop Lamer, has returned from Chicago, Ill., and other points in the east and reports a delightful time. ____Plans are on foot to organize another colored bank in Muskogee as soon as the location can be secured. The proposed bank, if all plans are carried out, will be put on a safe and sound basis so as to protect their depositors. The local citizen who has charge of the movement states that they are being discouraged on every side by members of our own race, by some certain individual who states that a colored bank will never see daylight again in Muskogee. But the writer sees no reason why a Negro bank could not pay in a town of twelve thousand Negroes, especially if we combined together for the benefit of our own people and not for self alone. ____Miss Aroules Patterson, one of our popular young ladies, is acting in the capacity of manager of Mrs. A. C. Crook's beauty parlor during her absence from the city.

JACKSONVILLE (ILL.) NEWS.

(By Nellie Early.)

Special to The Freeman:

The Pleasant Hour Club met February 27 with Mr. C. H. Freeman on West Morgan street, and had a very pleasant meeting. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Annie Coleman, Mrs. J. Dunn and Mrs. C. H. Freeman. The prizes were sent to Mrs. Freeman by her friend, Mrs. Glass of St. Paul, Minn., and also some special cards. Excellent refreshments were served.

Edward Davis of Pittsfield, Ill., was a guest in our city recently.

Chestine Mason of Joliet, Ill., is visiting her brother, Marion, of West State street.

Mr. George Williams of Chicago, Ill., is visiting his wife and son at 915 North Diamond street.

Miss Mable Lee Ferris of Ebey street is doing some excellent musical work.

Mr. Henry Eugene Nasby was a Springfield visitor March 1.

Blind Boon will appear at Mt. Emery Baptist Church March 13.

The Golden Sceptre Temple gave a very successful chicken supper at the hall on South Mauraisterre street February 28.

Mrs. Belle Jackson and children are visiting friends in Ladonia, Mo.

Mrs. Josie Champ of Springfield, visited in our city recently.

A pleasant party was given February 20 at the home of Mrs. Roy Hill on East Chamber street. All present had a delightful time. The party was given in honor of Miss Malene Moore of Pittsfield, Ill., who has been visiting Miss Cleota Hill of South Church street, and also her brother and sister.

Mr. Samuel Rhodes of 650 South West street does house painting, floor polishing and carpenter work. All neatly done.

Miss Lyons of Mexico, Mo., is visiting Mrs. Myrtle Brown Carter of South Ebey street.

Mrs. Allen Pickett of Chicago, Ill., has returned home. She was called here on account of the illness of Mrs. E. Mosely.

The Civic League met January 24 at the Second Baptist Church, and had an excellent meeting.

A very successful chicken supper was given January 25 at the Second Baptist Church by the brotherhood.

Ollie Jones is able to be about.

MOBERLY (MO.) NEWS,

(By Ralph Bass, 104 N. Ault St.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Geo. Carr has invented a wrench known as the all in one. It is a combined pipe, aligator and also a hammer. It is given up by experts to be one of the greatest inventions of the age. The invention already passed the patent office at Washington, D. C. Miss Anetha Carr, the daughter of the inventor, who is one of the foremost young ladies of this section of the state, is home visiting and will return at an early date to resume her duties as teacher at Dalton, Mo.___The Masonic lodge of this city is planning to receive the grand lodge of the state of Missouri and also getting its drills in a state of perfection.____The literary is preparing to give a debate and have one of the greatest subjects of the age: "Resolved, That the United States is one of the foremost known countries in Practical Christianity." ____A young fellow named Craddock was fined $14.75 in justice court for cursing a lady who is very respectable. ____Mr. Moses Arnold, one of Monroe county's most prosperous farmers, is visiting in our city.____Rev. Estill Johnson, the most promising young minister of 24 years, preached at Forrest Green, one of the grandest sermons that ever fell from the lips of one so young. His text was "Wait." ____Mr. Charley Hester has resigned as head waiter at Randolph Springs to take position as shipping and stock manager at "Tony's Bar." Mr. Hester is a native of Louisiana and is a credit to the race and the community. He is also district agent for the Thomas Manufacturing Co., of Dayton, O.____ Mr. Robert Wright, a most promising young man, who is now an employe at the Wabash R. R. shops, will resign to attend spring and summer school at Howard University at Washington, D. C.____Mr. W. A. Taylor made a trip to Fayette, Mo., last Sunday.____Railroad porters and the Mexico Symphony Orchestra ill give their second grand ball on Monday, March 9th, under the management of Ralph Bass.____Miss Viola Jackson is visiting friends in St. Louis for a few weeks.

NEWS OF JACKSON, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

Having experienced some of the coldest days of the winter, this week serves us as a gentle reminder of the cold wintry days that are yet to come. ____The Y. M. C. A. met at the usual hour Sunday afternoon. Mrs. L. E. Neely acted as organist. The meeting opened by singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer." Very interesting and pointed talks were made by Mr. Jas. Brown, president; Mr. Pettigrew, Mrs. Lucy Diggs and Mr. Williams, of the Standard Life Insurance Co.____Mrs. Catherine Syler has returned from Bolivar and is with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Alexander. She was benefited mentally from her stay in the West Tennessee Hospital, but physically speaking, she is quite weak____Mrs. Angie McCury is ill with lagrippe at her residence on S. Cumberland street.____Miss Beulah Cobb entertained quite a number of small girls and boys at her residence, corner of Freeman and Chester streets, Thursday afternoon, from 3:30 to 6:30, i nhonor of her little girl's 12th birthin honor of her little girl's 12th birthjoy this happy occasion were: Edna Murray, Nina James, Elizabeth Montgomery, Alena Louise Tomlin, Lela Welch, Canarie Pegues, Lorena Cobb, Clinton Bomar, Grady Bishop, Clarence James, Alfred Williams, Robert P. Whorton, Leon Clayton, Robert Morgan and Charlie Bell, Jr. The young folks were served to cream, cake and fruits. They departed wishing Lorena many returns of the day____Rev. G. L. Bogan will be in the city till Wednesday. He is pastor of the Church of God, on Madison street, is an excellent speaker and a worthy man. He resides in Okalona, Miss.____Mrs. Dovie Grigsby, of Sycamore street, is quite ill.____Mr. Preston Rippy happened to quite a painful but not serious accident while engaged in his duty as brakeman last Thursday morning. He is much improved at this writing____Mrs. Fannie Harrison Pruitt of Shannon street continues ill____Miss Eliza B. Freeling has about recovered from an attack of lagrippe and muscular rheumatism, which seized her about two weeks ago____Mrs. Mollie Shepard is up again after several weeks in bed____Mrs. Hattie Cozart is very low. Her death is expected at any time____Mr. Ras. Johnson, of Trenton, Tenn., visited the city last Sunday____Mr. Jno. Trotter and Mr. Lee Whitlow have recently had attached to their homes on Liberty street a complete bath equipment____Mr. Clifford Banks has about recovered from a recent illness____Mr. Charlie Ward has returned to his work after being ill with rheumatism since last December ____Miss Mary Bachelor passed through the city Saturday enroute to her home in Mercer from Dyer, where she had been visiting Miss Ellington of that place____Miss Lavenia Evans, of Tanyard street, has resumed her school work after a visit to the city____Miss Olivia Cleveland visited Miss Mary Arnold, of this city, Saturday and Sunday____Miss Vera Cooper has returned to Beech Bluff to take up her school work____Mr. Saddler, of St. Louis, Mo., stopped in the city Friday with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Dora Rippy, enroute to Oxford, Miss., where his father had died____The Ladies' Sewing Circle of Liberty C. M. E. church met at the parsonage last Thursday. These ladies are wide awake and received a new member, Mrs. Hattie Jordan, recently from Dayton, Ohio____Mattie Norman, about eight years of age, was struck by a freight train Wednesday morning at the intersection of Lane avenue and the Illinois Central railroad and suffered a concussion of the brain, from which she died later____Mrs. Annie Covington continues poorly____The Y. M. C. A. met Sunday, March 1, with an unusual crowd in attendance. We listened to a well delivered lecture by Rev. Hadden, of the A. M. E. church. His subject was, "What Can We As Individuals Do to Prove Ourselves Worthy to the Caucasian Race?" The A. M. E. choir rendered music, with Mrs. L. E. Robinson as organist. Next Sunday afternoon, March 8, the ladies will discuss what can we (ladies) do to aid the Y. M. C. A.. Discussion led by Mrs. Diggs____Mrs. Maggie Webb expects to build two cottages for rent as soon as the weather will permit. They will be built on the lot next to Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Hardin, S. Lancaster street, which Mrs. Webb purchased last spring____Mr. and Mrs. James Williams are having a new room added to their residence on Tanyard street____Much interest was manifested in the session of the Farmers' Conference that was held at Lane College Friday and Saturday of last week. Dr. Lane made all preparations for a large and enthusiastic meeting for these people and a very profitable meeting was had. Among those who spoke were Capt. T. F. Peck, state commissioner of agriculture; Prof. T. M. Campbell, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; Hon. R. T. DeBerry, assistant state commissioner of agriculture; Mr. T. R. Roberts, director experiment station, and Mr. R. B. Pierce, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. These men discussed farming in every helpful way, while Hon. J. C. Napier, exregistre of U. S. Treasury; Bishop Isaac Lane, D. D., L. L. D.; Prof. A. R. Merry, Dr. W. D. Holder, Prof. J. F. Lane, Prof. C. C. Owens, Dr. Shelton and Dr. Pruitt discussed questions pertaining to the economic, morals, and educational advantages of the race. Committees were appointed all over the city to see that the visitors were properly looked after. Mose every housewife contributed something towards the table. The farmers were loud in their praise of Jackson and Jackson's people____Charlie Bell, Jr., agent and reporter for the Freeman, 520 Lancaster street____Miss Minelle Newbern, of Denmark, was in the city Saturday____ We are glad to note that a number of Jacksonians are buying the Freeman each week. We certainly appreciate your aid along this line and hope to be able to give you just what you need for a social visitor. There are quite a few who tell me they are subscribers, but their subscription has run out. See me for a renewal of your subscription.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

(By Wm. Brooks.)

Special to the Freeman.

Sunday services March 1, 1914, held at the various churches, at the approaching of the spring season, despite the bleaky weather and the fierce wind blowing the attendance was unusually large. And the divines in their forcible manner preached able sermons to the delight of all present. In the afternoon the Lord's Supper was administered by the pastors to their respective flocks. The choirs all sang some choice selections of music, which enlivened the occasion.____At 11:00 a. m. Patten Memorial A. M. E. Zion church, Rev. J. H. Branner, D.D., pastor, preached a very stirring and instructive sermon to the people of that vicinity and the choir did some grand singing, too.____Mr. J. F. Trimble, our polite undertaker, has been busily engaged in embalming some of the deceased bodies, in which he gave general satisfaction. We are not sparing in saying words of praise for these our business men, since success awaits them.____The Grand Cafe has been doing some extraordinary business and the help with such polite attention waits upon the patrons, until they will succeed in winning the banner of praise for the first class accommodation. Here we find the patrons are both colored and white people. Mrs. Dent, the mistress, with due consideration, keeps this place up to date, and one visit to this place means a repeated one, too. Mr. and Mrs. Dent are conducting a first class rooming house on the modern style and it is a real pleasure to get their accommodation at this place.____Sunday, Rev. C. H. Hayes, pastor Friendship Baptist church, by special request preached an able sermon at the St. Elmo Baptist church, Sunday afternoon. Subject, "The New Testament Church." Matt. 6-36, and it was forcibly treated in a most masterly way.____Sunday 8:00 p. m. First Baptist church. Rev. C. A. Bell, Ph.D., pastor. The young people's praise meeting was made quite interesting by the program as rendered. Addresses delivered by the pastor and Wm. Brooks, Freeman representative. Music by the junior choir was delightfully sung. Prof. D. S. Samson, pres., B. Y. P. U. organization.____Mr. J. H. Blanton and Bros., the only large stock of goods, dealers in the tailoring business, and too, is the product of Chattanooga city among the colored tailors and they are having one of the first class places for their business, and also getting the patronage of the Negro race, which is an evidence of racial pride, which is but the development of any race. Young men, enter in the business world, as success awaits you. ____The colored people here are no little concerned about their children to be taught music in all of its forms, and it is a fine field for a music school, in which all branches of music can be taught. Let a music teacher get busy for such an institution.____Mrs. Dr. N. J. Wheeler, lady doctress here, has built up a most lucrative practice because of her patient, polite attention and such painstaking with her patrons that her name stands in the front ranks of the physicians.____Our town has been recently favored with the presence of Dr. Jordan, late of Mississipi, and we feel that his will be a success as a new doctor. Many of the people are doing much to advance his practice among the patrons of our city. We note with special attention that the Dr. Jordan can be a grand success as he waits on his patients.____ One among the saddest things occurred here lately was that a boy of four years drank enough whiskey out of a bottle left by his father on a table in reach of the child, which was forgotten by the father thoughtlessly, so the boy drank the whiskey and from the drink the child died immediately of such tender years. Parents, do watch these precious gems, as they know not the danger line at all times.

NEWS OF CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

The families of Mr. E. Hearns and Mr. Magee, who have been visiting relatives and friends here, returned last week to their homes at Memphis, Tenn. ____Mr. Bunch is on the sick list.____ Mr. R. Jones, of Harrisburg, Ill., and Miss D. Scott, of Chicago, Ill., are the guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis.____Mrs. L. Smith visited her brother and other friends at Iroquois, Ill., last week.____Mrs. Boles is laid up with a very sore foot having mashed one of his big toes.____Mr. T. Calaway, an old retired cook, has opened up a fashionable restaurant.____The Ladies' Embroidery Club met at the home of Mrs. James Cannon Friday of last week. After transacting various business and listening to some interesting talks, luncheon was served by Mrs. Cannon.____Mrs. B. Allen, of Decatur, Ill., is visiting relatives and other friends here.____Mr. Prof. Alston, of Metropolis, Ill., is a visitor in Centralia, Ill., in the interest of his paper, The Christian Anchor.____There is some talk of getting up a colored band. One man says he will play the bass horn. ____Mr. Harry Gibbins is the champion base ball player of Centralia. He says he will join some good team, who will tour the United States. He says he can make good on any team.____Mrs. White is on the sick list. She was taken to the hospital of this city and had a successful operation performed. Dr. J. H. Wallace performed the operation.____ Mrs. R. Johnson, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting at the home of Mr and Mrs. James Cross, in Centralia. P. P.

PENSACOLA, FLORIDA.

(By Walker Wilmer Thomas, of the Thomas & Lewis News Co., 428 N. DeVillier Street, Phone 823.)

Special to The Freeman.

The crowning of the Queen of the Coronation and Masquerade Ball of 1914, at K. of P. Hall, last Friday, February 27th, was one of the most beautiful affairs of the carnival week, which was witnessed in the Kingdom of his Majesty and no King who has ever reigned has borne his honor with greater dignity. Miss Annetta Patterson, the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson, lovely always, was radiant in her queenly robes, and the tableaux presented when Bartholomew III. crowned her, in the presence of his loyal subjects, was most beautiful. The hall was beautifully decorated in king's colors for the coronation of the fair young queen, and the throne room was particularly beautiful in its handsome many colors with growing flowers in colorful profusion on either side. The throne itself was in red and gold gilting with the designs of several huge rocks with fleur de lis in gold on the trapping of royalty and overhead and decorating the walls and ceiling, was red and green tissue paper. Along the walls were banked many large palms. The hall was filled with society come to do homage to King Bartholomew and his beautiful queen, and in the audience were many out of town guests, who were in the city to enjoy this brilliant social event, and the many carnival affairs. The entire Collins orchestra played the bright carnival airs. Promptly at 11 o'clock a grand march was held by the knights and maskers. They made their entrance and took their places on either side of the throne, awaiting the coming of the King, his beautiful young queen and the court of ladies and their escorts. The king, too, was all in gold and made a handsome stately and regal figure in his robes of royalty, with his mantle all encrusted in jewels. Then appeared the court of ladies, graceful and lovely, who were Miss Minnie Williams, Miss Esther Adams and Miss Maggie Gillyard, all in white satin gowns en train, with mantles of turquoise blue velvet draped from the shoulders. They carried arm bouquets of white carnations and ferns. Then came the queen, a picture of grace and regal beauty she made as she entered stately and beautiful. She was all in shimmering white satin, with touches of silver here and there, and from her shoulders fell a heavy ermine-trimmed mantle of turquoise blue velvet, which swept in graceful lines. The arm bouquet of American beauties she carried were no lovelier than her radiant young face, or sweeter than her gracious manner. As she made acknowledgment to King Bartholomew. There was a silence throughout the house as he greeted his young queen, and then the house burst into applause as Batholomew III seated her beside him on the throne, and the court made its obesiance. Mr. Scott Ryness and Miss Minnie Williams, Mr. James Barrette, Miss Maggie Gillyard and Mr. Roy V. Surles, Miss Eatha Adams. The lights went down for a moment lower and lower then flashed up to reveal the feature of the King and the royal subjects made their acknowledgments to King Bartholomew III, Mr. George King. The following ladies who acted as chaperones were Mrs. B. F. Hillard, Mrs. Richard Morris, Mrs. Mathew Thomas, Mrs. John Laster, Mrs. Joseph Morris, Mrs. Charlie Robinson, Mrs. Richard Douglas, Mrs. Richard Larkins, Mrs. Aaron Long. The members of this popular club received a large number of congratulations from their many friends for the successful way they handled the grandest social event of the carnival week. President J. Ceasar Lewis, of the club, and Walker W. Thomas, chairman of the board of directors, are greatly responsible for the past social events before the lenten season.____The members of the Young Men's Pleasure Club will give a masquerade dance on March 24th inst. This will be one of the last mask parties of this season and it is expected that there will be a large number attend. This affair will be held at the K. of P. Castle hall.____Miss M. Johnson, the traveling agent for the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People, and the Crisis, was in the city last week and made several addresses at the various churches of the city. At each church there was a large audience and all left well pleased with the able addresses of Miss Johnson. She left the city well pleased with her visit to the deep water city.____We will be glad to receive news for publication every week before Friday of each week. Don't forget to report all notes to the Thomas & Lewis News Co.____A Comical Concert was held last Tuesday night at the K. of P. hall. The hall was filled to its capacity. An excellent program was rendered by some of Pensacola's local talent. Those who participated in this affair received a large number of applause from the audience.____ Don't forget to report all of your news to J. Ceasar Lewis and Walker W. Thomas, at 428 N. DeVillier St., Phone 823.

NEWS OF LAKE FOREST, ILL.

(By Alfred W. Abrams.)

The Negro in America.

We now come to the third and vital test of a race, only less important than the other two. We have seen that the Negro is rapidly becoming a reading and writing man; permit me to give some facts proving that he is also becoming a saving man. Surely no better proof can be given of his desire and ability to rise and become a respectable member of society than the production of a bank book with a good balance, or better still, the title to a farm or a home free of debt. The saving man is par excellence the model citizen, peaceable, sober, industrious and frugal. The magic of property works wonders indeed, and pray remember once more that only fifty years ago he, a slave, the property of a master, found himself suddenly and without warning his own master, face to face with duties to which he was wholly a stranger—self support, self-direction and self-control, the care of wife and children, wage-earning and the expenditure of wages, the duties of citizenship, including the right of voting all thrust upon him who had been until that hour possessed of nothing, not even of himself, without home, school, church, or any of the elements of civilized life. The horse or cow fed in its stall and worked on the estate had scarcely less to do with providing for itself than the general field slave. Only the few household servants and craftsman were of a much higher class. Has the Negro shown the ambition and the ability to save and own his home or his farm? Does he take to the land, and is he making a successful farmer and landlord? These are vital points bearing upon his future. Let us examine the records: In nineteen hundred no less than 746,717 farms, thirty-eight million acres, fifty-nine thousand square miles, just the area of England and Wales, or double that of Scotland, were owned or tenanted by Negroes, who forty years previously owned nothing. The race owned not an acre of land forty years ago is now possessor as landlord of an area larger than Belgium and Holland combined and rapidly increasing. The Negro is land hungry.____Mr. Mack Walton was taken suddenly ill Thursday the 28th, with a bad case of lagrippe. There is quite a deal of sickness in the city.____Mr. Roy King, of Western ave., is confined to his bed. He has been ill for several weeks.____ Miss Vinnettit Morton is confined to her bed. She had contemplated leaving the city the 7th. We hope for her speedy recovery.____The Dramatic Club of Glencoe highly entertained a large and appreciative audience at the A. M. E. church Friday evening, February 28th. The play was a reproduction of Miss Baker, and she was the leading lady. It is a two act drama and beautifully staged, the scenery being laid in an up to date plantation scene. The leading man is Mr. Peterson, son of Rev. J. D. Peterson. It is a great play and should be on the road.____Mrs. Geneva Coleman was in Chicago Monday, March 2d, to attend the Women's Federation. It was largely attended. Delegates were there from all over the state. The writer was a visitor. It was simply grand to sit and listen to what the women were telling about what they were doing for the uplifting of humanity. After the session a banquet was given the visitors at 3940 State st., in the Masonic Hall. It was a grand gathering of women.____Mr. James Russell is convelescent. He has been confined to his bed for several weeks.____Miss Dolly Russell has returned to the city again after being absent for a fortnight.____Miss Daisy Ganaway, the chorister of the First Baptist church, will give a cantata in the near future.____Rev. Stokes is still on the sick list, but it feeling some better at this writing. He hopes to be in his pulpit Sunday.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Mrs. James Cowan, of 385 East First street, is able to about after her severe illness.____Miss Rachel Biddle, of 16 N. Watts street, lost her watch between her home and the Oak Hill M. E. church Sunday morning. She will be pleased should some one find same and return it to her address.____All arrangements for Elks' banquet, March 12, have been completed.____Mrs. Agnes Lucas and daughter, Thelma, and Miss Sarah Shaw were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel West, of Poland, Sunday.____Steve Clark has opened a rooming house at 22 South Walnut street. The little son of Mr. and Mrs. James Sanders is very ill.____Mrs. Aspy Johnson is improving nicely.____Mr. and Mrs. Will Jones are still on the sick list.____Mrs. Don Bunny, of Foster street, remains the same.____The social given by the Y. W. C. A. at the home of Mrs. Queen Roberson, the founder of the society, was well attended and our colored people should help in every way to encourage Mrs. Roberson in her work, for it will benefit the girls. ____The St. Augustine Episcopal Mission will hold services every Thursday evening and invite all that are interested in the church to attend and bring their friends.____Mrs. Edward Carr, of Bogguess street, is on the sick list.

NEWS OF SOUTH BEND, IND.

Mr. Eli Stewart, of 288 Carroll street, is very much improved after having undergone an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Stewart is a very ardent worker in the A. M. E. church and is also a very prominent Mason.____Mr. R. A. Smith, prominent society man, is on the sick list. We wish for his speedy recovery.____There will be a musical and literary program rendered at the A. M. E. church, March 12th, at which time some of South Bend's greatest talent will appear. Numbers will be rendered by Mr. Chas. Kittrel, famous baritone soloist; Mr. W. H. Gordon, violin soloist, and Mr. G. C. Clay, monologist.____Owing to the severe snow storm throughout the Eastern states, the Rev. G. W. Henley has postponed his trip to his home in Philadelphia.____ Mr. Wm. A. Lowe has moved into his new home on Chapin street.____The "Busy Bee" Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. Jay Thomas, 224 N. Francis street, Friday, February 27th.____ The Knights Templar will hold their annual Red Cross banquet and ball at the American Hall, Monday evening, April 13.____Mr. J. Harvey Pangborn spent Monday in Chicago.____Mrs. G. C. Clay is still on the sick list.

DR. SUTTON E. GRIGGS TO MAKE TOUR.

Announcement is made that Rev. Sutton E. Grigg, A. M., D. D., corresponding secretary National Baptist Educational Board, famous as an essayist, novelist, philosopher and orator, is arranging a tour of the country for the purpose of carrying to the Negro race a new message of hope.

The message will come in the form of an address from the subject, "Nature's Great Dream with Reference to the American Negro." This address was delivered recently at the Central Baptist church of St. Louis, Mo., where it was pronounced by the unanimous vote of the many auditors the most remarkable deliverance of its character that they had ever heard.

From the standpoint of overshadowing eloquence, reinforced by originality and depth of thought and closeness of reasoning, Dr. Griggs ranks with the master spirits of the age and is rated as one of the greatest orators of modern times.

The character of the treat in store for those who shall hear this address may be judged from the following tributes to Dr. Griggs' power as an orator:

Hon. T. O. Fuller, A. M., Ph. D., ex-senator North Carolina Legislature, president Howe Institute: "If any man living or dead ever made a stronger plea for his people, I have never heard it, seen it nor heard of it."

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Memphis Commercial-Appeal: "Dr. Griggs is regarded by many as one of the most eloquent and forceful orators that his race has produced. His power over audiences is said to be little short of marvelous, and he has been known to lift audiences to their feet by the sheer force of his eloquence."

The St. Louis Republic: "The delegates (to the Southern Baptist Convention, white) cheered when Rev. Sutton E. Griggs, a Negro educational secretary of the National Baptist Convention, spoke. * * * President E. C. Dargan checked the applause, but could not quite the shouts of encouragement from the convention members."

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: "He made what was considered one of the most eloquent speeches of the convention."

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The Daily Metropolis, Jacksonville, Fla.: "Much has been said of the eloquence and close reasoning of the speaker, and it was not long after he began before every one present felt that all that had been said was true."

Towns and cities that are desirous of having Dr. Griggs visit them in the course of his coming tour can address him at 658 South Lauderdale street, Memphis, Tenn. He will go as far south as Galveston, Texas, and as far north as Denver Col.

The presentation of copies of "Wisdom's Call," written by Dr. Griggs to the lawmakers of the nation, will take place upon the occasion of his stop at Washington, D. C. The presentation was ordered by the National Baptist Convention some time ago, but has been delayed thus far from the failure to provide a sufficiency of support for the project. It is believed that the matter will be fully consummated on this trip.—National Baptist Union Review.

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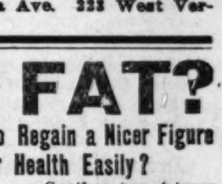

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Winter quotation—amazingly steady this week.

The big colored people of Washington, D. C., are at it again hammer and tongs fashion.

President Wilson has made his free toll argument, and a briliant bit of business it was. The case is now in the hands of the "jury." The impression is general that the verdict will be in favor of his "client."

The initials of Ralph W. Tyler and Richardson W. Thompson are identical. The fact is worrying when R. W. T. is signed to newspaper articles that the other R. W. T. didn't write and wouldn't write. Another case of the two Dromios.

Getting more like the white folks every day. A Negro youth at Joliet, Illinois, was arrested a few days ago for attempting to pass a check on a saloon. He was arrested. In the investigation it turned out that the young man, in company with another, had stolen a mail sack which contained $10,000 in uncanceled checks. Verily they had an elephant on their hands. The point is, however, that they were dealing in big money.

During the debate in the Senate at Washington last week on the proposed equal suffrage amendment Senator Vardaman said that he would support the amendment provided he got support in turn for the repeal of the fifteenth amendment and part of the fourteenth amendment to the constitution. So he would barter away our liberty at any price. The votes of the women doubtless would be a good profitable exchange, but why not keep all of our citizens?

Secretary Daniels of the Navy Department, left the duties of his office one day last week to attend the funeral services of William Wilkes, colored. Wilkes had attended the door of the department for thirty-seven years. This tribute of respect is in line with that shown by the Supreme Court members who attended the funeral, not long sonce, of an aged Negro servitor of the court rooms. Some sympathy still in the world by the great for the poor and humble.

To correct a false impression and in the interest of all parties concerned, R. W. Thompson, our staff correspondent, desires it to be stated that he is not the author of a scurrilous screed in last week's issue of The Washington Bee, under the caption of "A Picture of Youth," signed by one "R. W. T." The writer is said to bear a name, the initials of which are the same as those of Mr. Thompson. Hence the confusion. The individual attacked is a prominent educator, for whom it is known Mr. Thompson, in common with every right-minded colored man in America, entertained the highest respect and confidence.

We are asked an opinion regarding the call for a Negro Congress at Washington, D. C., in May. The circular has reached this office, but so far we have not given publicity to it because of the significance of such a move. We have not sufficient data to warrant endorsement by way of favorable editorial comment. We will be pleased to learn more of the prime mover, a Mr. Hayes, attorney of Washington, D. C., and also of others interested. Such movements are general more or less political. This does not mean that they have always been pernicious. But at this stage of our political and civil career we will do well to get our soundings and bearings faithfully before we attempt to do much sailing. Further information will be appreciated in view of the inquiries being made of us.

In the current issue of the Outlook Colonel Theodore Roosevelt has an article of considerable length which has to do with the Negroes as he finds them in the Republics of South America. In spite of his short time for observation he gives what appears to be a good account of the Negroes in relation to the white race and also their relation to the government. He makes prominent the theory of Negro absorption, holding that it is the opinion of those who give the subject thought that the Negro race of those countries is gradually being "swallowed up" by the white race. This, of course, is by amalgamation, a term that the Colonel does not seem to care to use. He, however, does not hesitate in saying that the trend of the thing, absorption, is on. He cites the product of a Negro pair in the third generation as being totally white, due, of course, to amalgamation. Mr. Roosevelt says that merit is considered rather than the individual's color. He found Negroes in high places, professors, doctors, officials because they were capable of filling them. The article is informing, and manifestly a fair treatment of the situation.

It is a matter for race congratulation to know that the railroad companies that have separate coaches for colored people will be forced to comply fully with the law pertaining to such coaches. In the past the companies have cheerfully complied with the provision that separate coaches be maintained, but have paid little, or no attention to that which said that these separate coaches must have equal facilities. Elsewhere in this issue will be seen that indictments have been returned against three railroads for failing in carrying out the law in the particular. The colored people of the country have submitted to the separate coach idea, wrong as it is, and because they, themselves, could see something of a necessity. This is in view of the everlasting race question. There was no reason, however, for the neglect of the coaches in which they were to ride. The thing of facilities was a small matter to the company; it meant very much to the colored people. Besides, the law was plain, and the railroad company has no more right to override it than the humblest citizen.

The news of the change is very, very welcome. We are not interested in seeing the railroad companies in a hole. We want what is due us in the matter.

ARRAIGNING THE ADMINISTRATION.

We cannot see the good of trying to arraign the present administration for what may be considered its shortcomings as it concerns the Negroes. We have in mind politics, the appointing of men to office and so forth. Much cannot be expected, in a political way, of the Democratic party because the Negroes did not do very much to establish the administration.

It is being lamented by some of the Negro leaders of pronounced political learning that the administration is not making good in appointing Negroes to office; it is the burden of their lay. Office is a very seductive something, political office. Perhaps nothing similarly appeals to men inclined toward public life. Everything else being equal we should equally contend for a distribution of officers among us. But everything else is not equal. Nor should we so pretend even when fighting for what we feel to be due us. Under the circumstances we will win big if we can keep the administration from "laying" on us. True enough, a government is not expected to show partiality. But why put forth such platitudinous propositions when a condition confronts us rather than a theory?

We hope, even under a Democratic administration, to see recognition of our race by appointment to office, but we are not disturbed because few are selected rather than many. The selection of one keeps live the principle we are contending for. The appointment of a score would have no special interest for the race if the government were otherwise oppressive. The ten millions are to be considered rather than the ten officials.

We feel to congratulate the administration in that it has so far shown inclination to see us as citizens of the country. With the bare exception of the segregation business at Washington it deserves this congratulation. So far no measures of general oppression have reached the light in spite of Vardaman et al. That measures of the kind have been suggested or introduced means nothing much. There are a few individuals bent on undoing the race. But what do they amount to if they are not endorsed by the party?

We insist that, so far, we are doing nicely under Mr. Wilson's administration. He is of such a calibre man that small bored men will not have the nerve to assault him with vicious governing principles. This is our estimate of him, judging by what he was before and since his incumbency of the White House.

THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL FUND COMMISSION.

The Lincoln Nemorial Fund Commission of Rhode Island sends out the following notice:

An opportunity was offered to the school children of the state to contribute to the Lincoln Memorial Fund beginning on Lincoln's Birthday, February 12th, and the contributions of the several schools are being received slowly by Treasurer Walter A. Reed; in the neighborhood of $250 in cash from this source is now in the treasury, and only a few classes are as yet represented.

As an opportunity was given to 2,206 classes in the public schools and to over 300 in the Parochial schools, or altogether to over 108,426 children to contribute not over ten cents, a substantial amount is looked for when the returns are all in.

In addition to the above, substantial amounts have been received from several societies, among them the Quarter Century Club of Providence, the Soldiers and Sailors Historical Society of Providence, and from the Division of Rhode Island Sons of Veterans. One or two individual subscriptions only have as yet been received, but many more are looked for as the fund increases.

Owing to the fact that the Colored people of Rhode Island are particularly interested in the erection of a memorial monument to their benefactor, Abraham Lincoln, the executive committee has appointed the following gentlemen as members of a committee to solicit subscriptions from the Colored race:

William A. Heathman, of Providence (Attorney at Law) chairman; Rev. W. Harrison, of Providence, (pastor of Pont. St. Free Baptist church); John C. Minkins, of Pawtucket, (editor R. I. Examiner); Dr. William H. Mathews, of Newport, (active member of various fraternities); William H. Jackson, of Newport, (Asst. doorkeeper House of Representatives, General Assembly).

We are pleased to have the opportunity of reproducing the letter of the commission for more than one reason. In the first place, it is a further recognition of Abraham Lincoln whose history is inseparably bound up with our own. Then again, the commission has made special appeal to the race based on the relation that Mr. Lincoln sustained to it. Finally, the method of the commission is applicable to the efforts of the commission, having in charge of the Frederick Douglass Memorial Fund.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Pythians Getting Ready to Do More Good—Bonner and Ellis Wedding—General Eugene Turner Inspection Companies Nos. 4 and 15, First Regiment Band and Cadets—Cutting Out Some of the Graft Here—The League to the Front.

(By Col. J. G. Griffith, 2922 Cochran St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Members of the race should not tolerate the unladylike manners that are seen here and there every day by some cheaply dressed men and women in public places. It should be stopped and right now, as it is damaging to everyone. Why the cheap Negro will continue to do so is a vexing question here, especially to those of us who are trying to be somebody. In the face of this crisis we see things daily that would make night shiver and tremble with shame. Let the lewd women of Dallas be made to beware of how they act on the public highways of this city. ----Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jackson are selling land to our people in the gas and oil fields of Texas and Louisiana at a very low figure. See them and invest.----Why be so very cheap, Mr. Business man? The Freeman is only a nickel a week and your advertisements cost but one cent a word per insertion. Yet we have Negroes engaged in all lines of business in every Negro district that never reads a colored paper or do a single bit of advertising in a Negro paper of any kind. Some of these same men can not supply you with two articles at the same time or on the same day. What manner of customers will stand for the merchant that will go out and buy with the money their customers want to spend and let him come back and reweigh the article they want to buy? It is a reflection that should be ended and that class of Negroes should cease to do the public such an injustice. The Freeman is here to help all the Negroes, both in and out of business. But the merchants should have merchandise in their places that is clean and wholesome and at prices that will stand the test.----The young men of the Golden Leaf Club are planning something for the near future where the young people can enjoy themselves----The Ardous Club is making hay while the sunshine is with them. They are, it seems, considering some future plans of a business nature, that its members are all looking forward to that will be unbiased and all may be well proud of it some day.----Miss Irene Andrews entertaind the Carnation Club, No. 1, Court of Calanthe, on Saturday afternoon of last week at the residence of Mrs. Mother Garrett, 1812 N. Allen street. A delightful evening was enjoyed by all. It is the aim of these Court sisters to be a help to one and all who are interested in the work. A choice luncheon was served and several topics were ably discussed. ----The club of boys, styled as "Marine Guard Cadets' Asociation," backed up by several gentlemen of the various lodges of the K. of P.'s, were at the Majestic Hall banquet last Monday night, which did not fully meet with the approval of Pythians here, as the associations are not supposed to use the names of lodges without their knowledge. Several of the men whose names were used have protested to The Freeman agent that the grafters are getting the Pythians' goat at these entertainments by using them as drawing cards and it should be stopped. When will it be stopped? Who in the rank and file of Pythianism will see that it is stopped in Dallas? Will the Grand Chancellor, or General John L. Jones have to do it? In all orders, lodges and societies a defunct member has no voice and so it should be in the Uniform Rank of Texas. They should not allow any one to use their departments for graft or otherwise.----The annual thanksgiving services are claiming the attention of the Calanthians and Sir Knights, Uniform Rank, Cadets and band. The place will be New Hope Baptist church. The full program will appear in the next issue and some hot stuff from the can of Pythian dopey dope.----Special to the officers and members of the Uniform Rank and Military Department at Dallas, Texas: Regimental Headquarters, Uniform Rank, K. of P.—You will have your companies assemble at the armory of Oriental Company, No. 15, Thursday night, March 19, 1914, at 8:30 o'clock, in uniform, for inspection by the Inspector General, Eugene Turner. Headquarters, Fort Worth, Texas. By order of Col. J. G. Griffin, commanding First Regiment U. R., K. of P., of Texas. After inspection all will participate in the collation. Visitors are welcome----Thursday night, February 26, the friends and citizens of the metropolis witnessed one of the most brilliant weddings of the season, the contracting couples being Miss Manobia Gertrude Ellis, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Ellis, and Mr. Jesse Bonner, the Walton street business man, at Mt. Rose Baptist church, corat 8 o'clock p. m. The bridal party—ner Crowder and Runnells street. Promptly at 8 o'clock p. m. the bridal party entered the church and marched down the aisle to the beautiful altar which had been transformed into a bower of flowers and fern and beneath a canopy of pink and white ribbon with a background of massive palms, out of which came the sweet voice of Mrs. J. Lee Andrews singing the wedding song of "Roses," accompanied by the artistic touch of Mrs. A. H. Smith, presiding at the piano. The march was halted direct in front of Dr. A. H. Smith, pastor, who read the matrimonial rites. During the time the dove, borne by Master Willie Moore, as cupid, presented the wedding ring, the gift of the groom. They being pronounced man and wife, their concourse of colored and white friends began to shower them with congratulations, after which the bridal party were borne away in an auto to the beautiful home of the bride's sister on Coates street, and for thirty minutes they were stationed in the living room beneath a mellow pink light receiving congratulations. The contracting party, with friends, were seated at the bridal feast in the spacious dining-room at a table covered with green satin overlaid with Battenburg with center pieces of fern leaves. The bridal cake was most beautifully lighted with tiny candles. The bride wore an imported gown by Waller—white crepe de chene over messaline, gorgeously trimmed with seed pearls, lace coronet of mother of pearl with veil and court train, and gloves and slippers to match. She carried a bouquet of bridal roses and lilies of the valley. The groom and best man wore regulation black full-dress suits. The bridal maids, the Misses George, wore corresponding gowns of white point lace and pink messaline over white taffeta with gloves and slippers of pink. Mrs. L. Brown wore a gown of grey crepe de chene trimmed in gold lace and handmade roses over pink taffeta. In the receiving line were Mesdames Ellis, Collins, Thompson and Wilburn. Mrs. Cora Brown presided at the punch bowl. Pink and white brick ice cream and cake were served each guest. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bonner are at home to their many friends, 3005 Taylor street. The Freeman staff in the metropolis wishes them success, also their many friends. They were the happy recipients of many valuable presents. ----Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Baylor, Jr., of Magee, Ark., spent several days here visiting the father of Mr. Baylor, 2418 Main street.----Mrs. M. A. Lindsey, of Fort Worth, enjoyed a few days' visits here among friends. She was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Robinson and family, 1006 Hawkins street.----Messrs. Walter King, Arthur Lightfoot and Will Lewis, of Bryant, paid a business visit to the firm of Greggs & Jones, tailors, 2404 Live Oak street, last week. ----The Business Men's League of the metropolis is pushing things to the front in this city. They have some live wires over the city and their hearty cooperation among our people is being talked of as it never has been heretofore. "They are doing something. Are you one? They are leaving nothing undone. They are getting our people interested and this is as it ought to be. They had and entertained as the guests of the city several distinguished gentlemen. Last Thursday night, at the New Live Oak Cafe. Mr. Charles Alexander, humorist of Boston, Mass., spoke encouragingly to the working and business men.----Mrs. Fannie Mae Weems, of Fort Worth, was the guest of Mrs. T. H. Love at the introductory dance the past week.----Mr. Ferd Criner, Will Heflin and Raymond A. Biard are learning all the new dances of late.----Mr. E. W. Carter, of St. Louis, Mo., is here doing the city with his brother, John, who is one of the best rooters Dallas ever had.----Mrs. Bulah Calhoun and son are visiting in the Gate City of north Texas.----Miss Edna Garrett left for Galveston for an indefinite stay.----Mr. Bob Lane, the contractor, is erecting several houses on Bank avenue.----Mrs. Wiley Howard and sons have moved to 2915 San Jacinto street.----Mr. Joe Ashley is now the proprietor of the East Dallas Hall between Elm and Main on Central avenue.----Mr. Clarence Gaines has opened a cozy eating palace for our people with all the modern conveniences. A call will convince the most skeptic.----Rev. A. L. King's anniversary will take place at his church, corner McCoy and Munger, March 30. The public is invited.----Mrs. Mattie L. Johnson is spending two weeks visiting friends in Eastern Texas.----Dr. S. W. Armstrong has sole charge of the extensive practice of Dr. J. W. Anderson while the Dr. and Mrs. Anderson are away in the State of Louisiana. Dr. Armstrong is one of the leading physicians here and needs no introduction to the people of the metropolis.----Among our sick the following are reported better: Mrs. Raymond Criss, Editor W. E. King, Mr. M. A. Goings, Mr. Booker Hancock, Mrs. L. V. Watson.----Mr. W. E. Ewing is back from a visit to New Orleans.----Mrs. Eliza Dons, of Temple, visited her son and family last week. ----Improvements are going on at Loving's. Call on Melvin Green. He will serve you right, day or night. It's all Loving's—as you like it. Call.

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Dallas Consistory No. 31 A. A. S. A. meets every second Monday night at the Masonic Temple, corner Juliett and Fairmount streets. All visiting Prince are welcome.—W. F. Smith, commander-in-chief general; John L. Jones, secretary.

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THE ST. ANDREWS HOSPITAL CLUB, GULFPORT, MISS.

(By Freeman Bureau, 2902 13th St. Telephone 903.)

Mrs. Lillie Garner visited relatives and friends in New Orleans, La., last week. She has returned to the city and reports a very pleasant stay and that she enjoyed everything but the weather. ----The St. Andrews Hospital Club of Gulfport is a worthy organization and merits the support of every race loving Negro in and out of Harrison county. Mrs. Baribino, Mrs. Leroy, Miss Minnie L. Flowers and a number of other noble women are leading the organization on to splendid accomplishment. Every Negro here knows that Gulfport needs a Negro hospital and should aid these good women in their matchless effort to bring it about.----Misses Ida Heathman and Della Owens were in New Orleans a few days last week and enjoyed the carnival festivities.----Mrs. C. J. Jackson returned from New Orleans last week where she went to care for her very sick daughter Miss Rosetta Parker. We are very sorry to learn that Miss Parker is still dangerously ill.----Miss Carrie Strainer is preparing to visit Mobile and other points. Mobile is Miss Strainer's old home and her friends will gladly welcome her stay. We are reasonably sure she will return to Gulfport.----Captain D. J. Stokes was seriously ill last week but is able to be out. Dr. E. A. Taylor knows his business and Captain Stokes is aware of it.----Mr. Arthur Dempsey, Mr. Emmitt Williams, of Macon, Ga., are two promising young men. During their brief sojourn among us their congeniality has made them many friends and the girls say they are favorites.----If you want to know the time ask Mr. George Shirley. He has the time.----Messrs. Stewart and Cleveland, the popular and enterprising butchers, are conducting a well supplied meat market, corner 31st ave. and 19th st. These gentlemen are polite and attentive to their patrons and cordially invite your trade. We all eat meat and they will take care of your wants.----Lieut. Captain Robert L. Flournoy, Capt. Arthur Dempsey and Mr. Emmett Williams of the Great Southern Hotel Bellman's organization, have rendered splendid service during this season, and have made many friends in and out of the city.----Mr. Jesse E. Downs returned to Gulfport last week after three years' absence. Mr. Downs is a prince of good fellows and has a host of friends who are giving him the glad hand. While away he visited Chicago and many of the large eastern and western cities.----Mrs. Johnny Simmons, of Soria City, took suddenly ill Friday, but is rapidly improving.----Mr. and Mrs. John Brodnax, who reside in Soria City, entertained a number of their friends Monday evening, March 2, 1914, in honor of Mr. Brodnax's birthday. Their friends responded to toasts during the occasion hoping that Mr. Broadnax would live to enjoy many more milestones upon life's path, and be as loving and devoted to his better half in the future as in the past.----The Colored Moving Picture show at Pass Christian has resumed business and is rendering attractive programs.----Mrs. Anna L. Brown has been on the sick list but is much improved.----The Rabbitt's Foot Minstrels entertained a packed house last Thursday night. Their brass band is simply a scream and they put up the cleanest and best colored show that has visited Gulfport in many seasons.

LANGSTON, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Last Friday night Langston University was presented with a bust of Abraham Lincoln; also a very extensive program by the 8th grade class, under the supervision of Prof. S. L. Cadler.----The Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. concluded their week of prayer Sunday night, which was very successful. Suffice it to say that these two prayer services were as bread cast upon the water that they may be seen and gathered after many days hence----As the sun is beginning to warm the earth and the verdure is about to awake, our campus is about to be aglow with the baseball spirit. Our team anticipates playing several games in Texas, and since they marched out upon the gridiron of the football season and tore the tongue of victory from the throat of defeat, they boast that they will compete for championship of the Southwest in the athletic world of this baseball season----See A. B. Stewart for the Freeman.

MURPHYSBORO, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Bertha Jones gave a birthday party and invited her friends. The invited guests were Hubert Crawford, Miss Dest Chavis and forty other couple, Thursday night.----The Elks Lodge No. 144, Dunba, had a fine business meeting, financially, Sunday afternoon. ----Richard McKinney and Will Evans made a visit to St. Louis for a few days, visiting friends.

MORRIS WAINSTOCK'S RECTOR GIRLS.

At the Majestic Theater, Indianapolis.

Good music, comedy of the genuine kind, fun, wit, beauty, gorgeous dressing and magnificent scenery and electrical effects are the features which have earned the highest praise from theatrical critics all over this country for Morris Wainstock's "Rector Girls" Company which appears at the Majestic Theater commencing Monday matinee, March 16. The unanimous praises of this troupe are well deserved as the entertainment is of the highest type, replete with fun of a good, wholesome kind presented on a most lavish scale by a company of beautiful ladies and the following well knowin clever comedians, Leo Stevens, Chas. M. Baker, and Frank Wesson with an entire absence of vulgarity. The programme opens with a laughable two-act musical comedy in which Helen Jessie Moore shares the honors with the brightest of all prima donnas, Lydia Jospy, the "Little Nightingale." These two ladies won the hearts of all their audiences by their clever and chic acting, singing and dancing. The music is catchy and the chorus far above the average.

A special feature will be a tango contest every night. The prizes will be fifty dollars in gold. On Tuesday night Billy Schober of this city will meet Young Zoysco of Chicago. This should prove the best wrestling match of the season.

KALAMAZOO, MICH.

The Boys' Juvenile Club of the A. M. E. Church will give a chicken supper March 17. All are invited to attend. Admission 5 cents. Supper 15 cents.

Mrs. C. W. Butler of East Vine street is ill at her home.

Mr. Robert Hackley of Elm avenue is very sick at his home.

Mr. Clair Winborn of 1424 Third street is able to be out again after an illness of two weeks with a broken foot.

CINCINNATI, O., NEWS.

Theatrical Notes—The Lincoln.

The Lincoln has changed to a two-a-day house. This move is due to large seating capacity and long show since stock has been added. Monday night, when the John street place of amusement threw open its Fifth avenue doors a goodly crowd filed past the ticket seller, anxious to get comfortably seated before the rush which followed later and tasked the little lady ushers to get them seated quickly. Then Prof. Irvin Puggsley and Mr. Brown, the trap drummer, and the feature movies took care of the crowd until the show opened. Johnson & Cooper opened the bill and worked hard, double, and were well received. Miss Cooper came back single and went as good as could be expected. She was followed by Miss Johnson with "That Hula Hula Dance," a song that is well liked here. She can do this song. They then came back closing double. This sister team will give satisfaction whenever presented anywhere.

Gertrude & Price folowed and were well received. They have played Cincinnati before in other acts. Mr. Gertrude's comedy is good and shows to advantage with Miss Price, who can still shout a coon song in a way that wins from the start. This is a singing and talking act that needs no boosting—positively good.

The stock introduced two new faces, Gaston & Jackson, one taking the part of an Indian. He knows the character and can do it. The other is a feature in the part he plays as cocaine fiend. The audience enjoy the acts presented, so I think it will be hard to satisfy them without stock in this house. Ross & Butler closed the act, leaving the audience in the highest pitch of excitement and laughter. The stock exchange acts twice a week. Mr. Cliff Ross is getting the audiences trained so when he makes his appearance he gets an ovation.

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The Pekin.

The Pekin opened for business early with a lobby half filled with first-row lovers, who are a following of Frank Bennett, who kept them charmed with his hypnotizing ragety rags during the pictures. Monday night at this house works the house staff hard, the crowds being tremendous. So they always come prepared to hustle. Mr. Dempsey's big form was missed tonight. He usually stands in the lobby to assist the ushers during the rush. He is at West Baden taking a rest cure, while Col. Brown presented the following show:

The Arrants opened with a singing number that was familiar and gotten off good. This was no warning of what was to follow, as from time and again the audience was thrown into convulsive laughter. Mr. Arrant is extremely absurd and his ridicule of the weaker sex made every male in the house sanction him with loud expressions of approval. Mrs. Arrant can really sing and dance and the great advantage this act has is they worked steady together eight years. Give us some more Arrants.

The Carter Trio received an ovation. They are well known here, having been repeated in this house, making good each and every time. This, without a doubt, is the best trio of versatile performers in the business. Paul is great in many things—a manager, instructor and actor—he has put everything in this act a complete show with specialties and character review of the Negro actor abilities as a show man. Mrs. Carter and Nettie are better than ever. Costumes elaborate. The Carters now have a perfect act, too, good for small time. So good-bye, Carters. Col. Brown was overly pleased at the attendance. He regrets the house is so small. The Colonel is the best man Mr. Dempsey could have found as a manager. This is more of Dempsey's luck. An active, energetic man, he is manager without a string of legal advisors. He is using his own head and the crowd follows him. Mr. Harry Glover, stage manager, sends regards to the many actors who have played under him in this house.

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Leona Marshall left this city to open the Dunbar Theater in Dayton for Dudley. She received ten weeks' contract while here.

Anderson & Holmes left this city after several weeks' idleness to play Chicago Monogram Theater week of March 9th. They will return here soon on legal business.

Watch for the ad. of song of Frank Bennett, who plays the piano at the Pekin Theater. It's his own composition that's filled with his own sweet harmony.

Hugh Turner, "musical tramp" act, arrived here and lost a week through Lew Henry notifying the manager that he would not send him and not letting the actor know where to go. The actor loses with a week's contract in his pocket. He works this and next week.

Mr. T. Nobby Gales, who is the able assistant of the manager of the Lincoln Theater, sends regards to friends in and out of the profession, and says he is anchored and with a bank roll, so he will stay in Cincinnati for a while.

The Pekin Theater staff are doing all they can to help the Freeman. Let the Lincoln follow suit and all will be merry.

A new act is being rehearsed here. A trio composed of Gaston & Jackson, strengthened by Mrs. Marion Brooks.

Aleck Berry's band that plays Coney Island every smmer has returned from a disastrous barnstorming trip in which the lady manager skipped out with the dough. The entire show has not arrived yet. Miss Bessie Hocker, Sally Gray, and others remained in Louisville, their last stand.

Wm. Reed, the successful circus man who puts out most bands and minstrel that leave this city with circus kid shows, is busily preparing for his tour.

S. CARTER.

Rumors of Fifth Avenue.

The presence of bluecoated guardians of the peace on Fifth avenue has had a tendency to make business quiet. This is some disappointment to the politicians.

Mr. Ben Knox was glad to meet the Freeman's man and accepted an agency. He had many calls for that paper and stated he could sell fifty papers weekly. So his place will be one of the places where the Freeman will be found.

Joe Brown, of E. Berry's band, has returned from Toledo.

Big Clarence Ratcliff will soon spring something that will be surprising in a new business venture.

Frank Polk, former partner of J. Lubrie Hill, is one of the friends of the Freeman who was glad to see it set its foot in Cincinnati so firmly and says he is still successful with his orchestra, which is known as "Pork Chops Ragtime Band."

The two new man hunters, Lewis & Thomas, who relieved Hall & Greer, made a good catch the other night by arresting a much wanted hold-up man. Roscoe Lewis is given to be decidedly clever and doing all he can to live up to the pace set by Hall and Green.

Mr. Clarence Brown, a Cincinnati business man, will open a comfortable gentleman's bath department to his place at 504 Carlisle avenue. He gets the Freeman.

Little Buddie Launders, late of Reed & Carter Trio, became a Freeman yearly subscriber. He married lately, but sends word to his friends in and out of the profession that he will soon return to the stage. He married Miss Miami White, of Lexington, Ky.

Mr. Lewie Lewis, the best authority on Fifth avenue on baseball, race horses, prize fighting and theatrical affairs, is preparing his spring sojourn with the runners between long puffs on his Havana. He stated to the Freeman man, "I will have some surprising gossip for next week." Lewis is an interesting man.

Mr. Baldy Fleming, of Louisville, feels he is a much mistreated man. He has a great deal of money in his place of business that seems a lemon, but all sickness is not death. There is a rumor that things will change. They have blocked the home boys as well, but there's a reason for it all.

Mr. Chas. Monroe, an old performer, caught the Freeman man flying and became a yearly subscriber. He has a daughter in the profession.

The Hamilton County Fraternal League invited the Freeman representative to attend their entertainment at Music Hall, March 10th.

Mr. Herman Jansing, of Fifth and Smith, has proved he is no enemy to Colored enterprises by becoming a subscriber to the Freeman. It can be read at his place.

Mrs. Katie Williams, of 523 John street, has made a specialty of taking care of theatrical people. They all call Mrs. Kate "Maum," though she is younger than most of them. It's that good treatment they get, because she sets them down to a table with plenty and tells them to "puff" when they get enough. This spot was discovered by the smiling Tommy Gales, of the Lincoln Theater.

The people wonder what has become of all the race leaders since election time. The Freeman will try and tell you next week what Mr. E. G. Gaither is doing; also, Sam Hill, Gov. Lewis, and other politicians who know you so well. Mr. Copelan, Will Nunn, Dad Henderson can have something to tell us there is a hold-back in things expected. May be Freddy Snaller knows. We are going to find out if we have to send the "nosey Freeman man" after it. He can get it.

Artie Brosey invited the Freeman into his house every week this year, and we thank him for helping Colored enterprises.

There are those in this city who are so well known to the proprietors of this paper that they would not spend a cent towards its support. There will be favor for favor or none done.

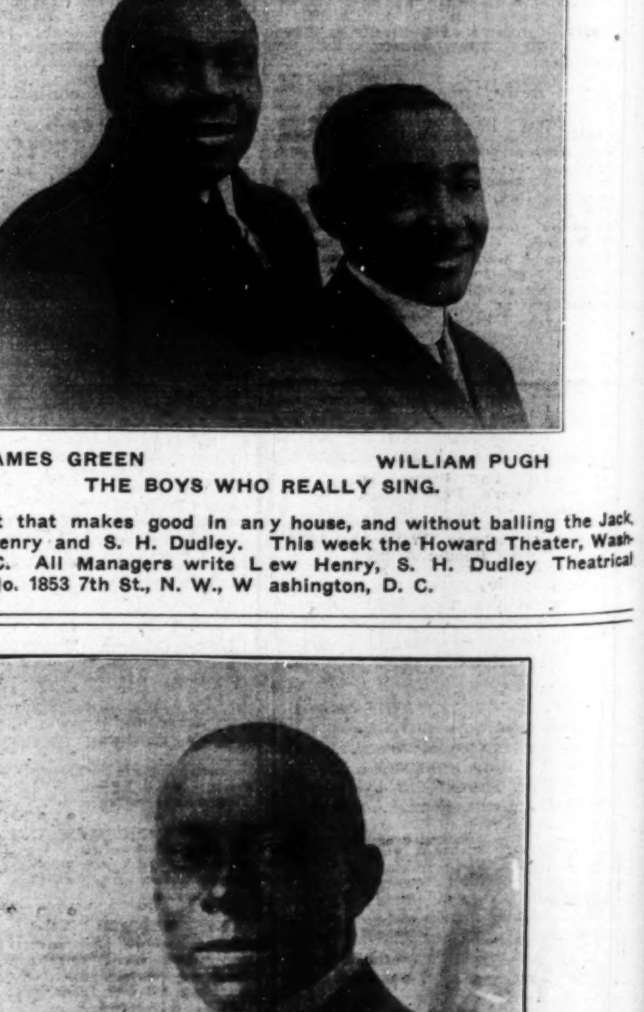
SID CARTER.

BILLING THE ARRANTS.

In Eighteen Minutes Riotous Mirth and Amusement at Pekin Theater, Cincinnati, O., Week March 9-14.

The Arrants, Mabel and Charles, brought their sunny southern smiles to the Pekin Theater, and like a bird out

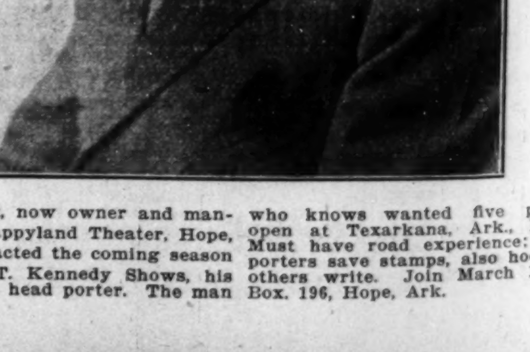
of a cage, it developed into a full-grown avalanche of hilarity. The result was the crowds were splitting their sides with laughter at the grotesque make-up and the string of absurd remarks Charlie expostulated. Charley is funny, but you can console yourself that you are only one of the sea of heads in front and behind you that are having hysterics. He is not only a "riot" with his monologue, but he can take his slide trombone and render a couple syncopated specialties that take the house by storm. He makes his trombone talk the "Blues." He encores on "Easy Rider," while Mabel sings and dances. In the final chorus he lies down on his back and manipulates the slide with his foot. This stunt breaks the final chord of dignity that may remain. The audience goes into a spasm. Miss Arrant is of neat appearance and has a good voice and is an excellent dancer. She sang "Who Will Be With You When I Go Away?" She really can sing. They are a big box office attraction and can play Cincinnati any time.



JAMES GREEN WILLIAM PUGH

THE BOYS WHO REALLY SING.

The act that makes good in any house, and without balling the Jack. Ask Lew Henry and S. H. Dudley. This week the Howard Theater, Washington, D. C. All Managers write Lew Henry, S. H. Dudley Theatrical Enterprise, No. 1853 7th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.



Richard Scott, now owner and manager of The Happyland Theater, Hope, Ark., has contracted the coming season with the Con T. Kennedy Shows, his ninth season as head porter. The man who knows wanted five porters to open at Texarkana, Ark., March 30. Must have road experience: would-be porters save stamps, also hoosiers and others write. Join March 15. P. O. Box. 196, Hope, Ark.

MEMORANDUM.

When the readers of The Freeman are in London, W .C., you can secure the paper from Daw's Steamship agency, 17 Green St.. Charing Cross Road, W. C., London.

STAGE NOTES.

Madame Azalia Hackley is doing Texas with her usual success.

Buzzin Wayne Burton, a noted nut, navigating alone, at the Dunbar, Columbus, O., this week.

Sam Lucas, the oldest of them all, is still doing business. He's making 'em laugh as he did years ago.

Jordan & Jordan, known as the Idaho Trio, are at Nashville, Tenn., this week, at Twelfth Avenue Theater.

Charles Smith, comedian, was in Indianapolis this week enroute to Pittsburgh, Pa., where he opens on the S. H. Dudley time.

George and Lena McCoy, Wesley Mitchell and Clarence Davis, of Stetsons' U. T. C. Co., were Freeman callers Sunday, stopping over en route to Noblesville, Ind.

Martin & Matel, after two weeks of success at the Douglass Theater, Macon, Ga., will be at Durham, N. C., next week, playing for "Chicken" Jones. "We should worry."

James E. Simpson, professionally known as "Happy" Simpson, the jolly tramp acrobat and barrel jumper, care McMahan & See Treathical Agency, 385 Washington street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Batt Gordon and Miss Cora Glenn have just closed three successful weeks at the Pastime Theater, Birmingham. Next will open at Grand Theater, Chicago. If Will would eat a hambone, could Virginia listen.

Stovall & Stovall made a flying trip from Memphis, Tenn., to Louisville, Ky., to Mr. Stovall's home town, to see his mother, who was very ill. In the meantime they will fill an engagement at one of the local theaters.

Manager Tim Owsley announces that the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis, will open the week of April 23d. The opening will be conspicuous for good talent, and which will be the motto of the house as it has always been—the house of good shows.

The Grand Theater here is under new management. Coleman L. Minor and John Goodloe have full charge of the house from the front to the back. It opened Monday night to a capacity house. The show was a laugh from start to finish and everybody's happy.

Mr. Robert Hampton has closed his engagement with Richard & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels. He soon will go in vaudeville. The team will be of Hampton & Harrison. Hampton and Harrison are well known song writers of St. Louis. Watch for Hampton's latest composition, that instrumental rag, entitled "Some Music."

Mr. Chas. J. Harris, the business musician and wife, Mrs. Susie E. Harris, have just spent a pleasant four weeks' vcation visiting her mother and family at Port Gibson, Miss. Mr. Harris is now engaged with the Caddo band and orchestra as cornetist and saxophonist. Best wishes to all friends Address all communications to 105 Christian st., Shreveport, La.

Keyes & Walker, Emma and Chinee, are now playing the Laew's Time. This week, Broadway Theater, Saratoga, N. Y.; next week, Lyric Theater, Hoboken, N. J. The press and public are loud in their praise of Miss Keyes impersonating a Chinese girl and her own original idea of soft shoe dancing, Chinese walkers needs no introduction as a Chink. Mr. Walker was formerly of Pinkey & Walker.

Cook & Gilliam were booked to play the Circle Theater, week of March 2d, after accepting and signing contracts at the last minute jumped their engagement at the Circle Theater to accept an engagement at another theater, which was very unprofessional for old performers like them. Mrs. Segal placed the matter in the hands of her attorney to proceed legal actions. After having a talk with her manager, Bob Slater, he persuaded her to leave the matter drop. This should be a lesson to all performers who try to jump a contract after signing one. Mrs. A. Segal.

NOTE FROM ADA LOCKHART.

Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Editor—I hear where some performers are commenting on my going to work so soon after my husband's death. But they forget that when two people are all alone in the world and one gets sick naturally the other one will help one another. I worked while he was sick, did all I could for him and now that he is gone I am all alone in the world. I must take care of myself. So please publish this for me and I will be very much obliged. I closed at the Dixie after a successful three weeks there. Will take a much needed rest.

Oblige professionally,
ADA LOCKHART,
248 Fraser St.

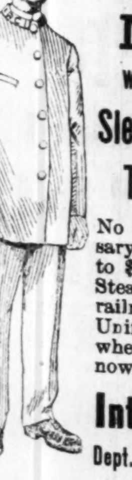
PASTIME THEATRE, GREENVILLE TEXAS.

The Pastime Theater is one of the most popular theaters in this section of Texas. The Sunny Dixie Minstrels showed there Feb. 19. Mr. Ernest Whitman, producer; Miss Hazel Whiteman, pianist; Oliver Strickland, trap drummer; Almer Williams, Lajoie & Bailey, Miss Bessie Anderson, Savoy & Mrs. Lizzie White. All made a fine company. Write to Mr. W. D. Pratt for dates, any good performers.

PROF EPH. WILLIAMS FAMOUS TROUBADOURS CO.

(By La Vola.)

Everything is running along smoothly and company is making a fine hit. Silas Green Co. seem to improve with the time and it never ceases to attract. M. A. Baynard, the leading man, is certainly going some and the audience never fail to recognize the fact that his work is clean, up to date and enunciation almost perfect. The Marvelous La Vola is busy on a new stunt on the wire that he guarantees will astonish the wise ones of the twentieth century. He has accomplished most everything that is done on the wire. Today he is without a doubt the peer of all wire walkers before the American public. The show contemplates a clean sweep of the state of Georgia which we are about to tour. The Gains Brothers, acrobats and tumblers, are a complete riot nightly. Our business manager, R. C. Puggley, is still on the job and busy routing us for the spring and summer. W. A. Baynard, the clever straight man. is certainly making a name for himself by his acting, changing of so many costumes. He is the changing wonder. Regards to all old friends. The Marvelous La Vola is an exact counterpart in his work and physique of the Great Prince "Yeu-Turkey" the world's greatest Japanese wire walker. "La Vola" is a perfect statute on the wire. Wardrobe is excellent. Regards to Leon and to Prof. Geo. A. Williams, chief trumpeter of 9th cavalry band.



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NEW YORK I. M. T. B. A. NOTES.

"The Sixth Commandment" was the offering presented by Joe Bright's Associated Players at the Crescent Theater the last half of last week, and was the classiest hit that has been presented by a stock company at the Crescent for some time. From the start it made its impression, and met with rounds and rounds of applause at every performance.

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Cheer up. In a few days the entire flock of Colored Thespians will be back in the city telling us how much they would have saved if—

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Wanted, a few more men of brains and tact. Men that can't be bought for a "pat" on the back, or a cigar, or a drink. Then show business among our folks will again become a realty. In short, we need more men like Mr. Jesse Shipp and Sam Corker, Jr.

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Frank Brown, of the team of Prescott & Brown, has signed with Ray's Creole Belles as trap drummer for the coming season.

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Anything you see in this column in the New York News it's so, as the representative does not concoct nor manufacture the matter and write up "supposed" events that never actually occur, as some of our contemporaries have done in the past. The thing of writing up a performer who is supposed to be playing one place when truthfully he is walking up and down Seventh or Lennox avenue will be truthfully told in these columns.

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Miss Ella Jones' "Castle on the Nile" seems to be the headquarters for the small time actors, as she always has the latch-string on the outside of the door.

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The Fifty-ninth Street Theater still continues to run first class photo plays but no vaudeville. Reason: Cheapness of the management. Located in a good colored district, too.

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Wanted, a colored theater, owned, operated and controlled by Negroes in New York City. Then, if we had one, would the Negroes support it? That's the question. What's the answer?

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Martha Tobias and Raymond Thomas will work together in the future. The team will bill themselves as "The Two Sunbeams."

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Brothers, in the last ten years in the Colored profession we have had the following organizations: Charlie Moore's Walhalias, Order of Buffaloes, Benevolent Order of Colored Professionals, Ike Hines' Professional Club, Colored Performers' League, and the C. V. B. A. Now what next, gentlemen? You are in order.

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Billy Ward would like to hear from Clarence Powell, Chicken Reel Beeman, Willia Styles and George Stamper. Address the Michaels Theatrical Booking Agency, 77 West 131st street.

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Bradford & Jeanette are at the Lafayette the last half of the week.

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Billy Watts, of the team of Watts & Mme. Patti Willis, has quit drinking after seventeen years of faithful service.

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Guy & Rex, Billy Harper and Michaels & Michaels were on the bill at the Lafayette Theater last week, booked by The Michaels Theatrical Booking Agency.

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Johnny Woods will play Lawrence, Mass., this week, with Glouster to follow.

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Florence Brooks, Charlie Taylor & Co., and Raymond Thomas were on the bill at the Lincoln Theater last week.

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The Family Theater on Eighth avenue has discontinued vaudeville on account of the scarcity of single acts.

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Bob Slater, the genial and pioneer of vaudeville, was in the city last week in the interest of the Circle Theater, of Philadelphia, Pa.

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Walter Wilkins, Cheers & Jones, and The Pampkins are at the Lafayette the week of March 9th, booked by The Michaels Theatrical Booking Agency. Also Criswell & Bailey.

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That was an awful mess those colored thespians got into last week by accepting a contract and signing same, which was properly approved by the commissioner of licenses, etc., and then jumped across to another Colored Theater in a certain large city nearby for $5 more. Some business honesty in some of our boys.

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Paul Floyd and Billie Washington have joined hands. They ought to give us some new and good material, as they are both old-time performers and know the business from A to Z.

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Josephine Tobias, the sweet singer, is at the Standard Theater this week.

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Mr. Billy Watts wishes to inform the various managers that in many instances he has been sadly misrepresented through either the managers of the many theaters or to hurt his reputation as a performer through the columns of this paper. He wishes to say he is still Billy Watts of the team of Watts & Willis, not Watts & Lewis, or Watts & Tyler, or Billy Harper, as he has been billed by the management of the Crescent Theater last week, knowing fully well that Billy Harper was playing at the Lafayette Theater at the same time and the manager was informed by the correspondent. Why should these managers place a reputable act under a nom de plume. knowing fully well that the artist stands out by him or herself and don't need to use anybody's name to pull 'em in the house.

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Watts & Cash are in town and Mr. Watts will produce a colored show at North Beach this season.

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John Smith, manager of the Auditorium Theater in Philadelphia, was in town on Sunday last on business.

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Jas. R. Houree, of the team of Hunter & Houree, who has been in the theatrical spot light for the last seven years, writes as he has been identified with the Hunter & Chappelle Stock Company and the Crescent Theater Producing Company will shortly present a grand innovation in a short bill, which will eclipse all former attempts. Mr. Hunter sends his regards to all western friends.

NOTES OF BIJOU THEATER, DURHAM, N. C.

Miss Mammie Vaughan closed the week of March 7, and she won great applause as a single bill. The week of March 9th is headed by Bleadstau & Lee. Miss Lena Wilson, Lawson & Furber, Miss Black, Annie Murrell Ringgold, the woman with the crazy feet.

You can find the Freeman on sale in Durham, N. C., by Clarbine White, at Bijou Theater.

Chicago Weekly Review

By Sylvester Russell.

J. Leubric Hill's "Follies" Big Hit at the National—Will be at The Globe Next Week.

"My Friend From Kentucky," once christened "Dixie" now thoroughly revised and with lyrics and music all new, made its first Chicago appearance at the National theatre March 8th with J. Leubrie Hill and his "Darktown Follies" company, augmented with fifty people. The entire production, which was written and produced by the star, is the most pretentious musical comedy in proportions yet produced by a colored company since the days when Bob Cole, Jesse Shipp and Ernest Hogan invented brainy stellar activities. Where Williams and Walker were stars, and Walker being in a capacity to advance prestige and traditional strength, in contending for what he gained for himself, and his race in the musical and dramatic profession, today gives strength to two men, J. Leubrie Hill in an equal field and Salem Tutt Whitney in a smaller capacity, less popular as actors, but more brainy as men, now distinguished in a class with Cole and Hogan as composers and authors. There is hardly any further need of stating that the Hill production is a big hit but it is a show built upon legitimate lines of clean unaffected literature, so much so, that it greatly pleases the white people which makes its success assured, and its survival the fittest of things. If the plot of the play is consistent, it is just a journey, hardly anywhere, but one that ends in lovers meeting, plain course people, with children that range in complexion from a dark horse to a lilly white yellow in color, and in this particular event of a new generation, it was the tinge of slavery, not published in history, that makes these colors interesting. But we are on the brightest side of the question, irresistable in charm and fascinating in color, the Darktown Follies is music for the ear like dancing appeals to the eye. But it is all the rage and people will crowd to see it. There is even a line up which threatens to ball-the-jack but I don't believe they'll do it. It is hardly necessary to dwell at length upon the galaxy of stars who take the leading parts. It it is an all-star cast, J. Leubrie Hill stands alone, as I have formerly said, in a new creation of the old type of colored woman. His conception is perfect and his comedy has developed so much that it is a pleasure to see an intelligent actor who does not overdo his art. Hill is a serious student. His music this season is particularly bright, and while his play is touched up in spots by the botch work of rare imitators, in the cast, the effect is beneficial. Next to Mr. Hill we have funny Julius Glenn, the big comedian, who gives us something new and actually clever, to laugh at. Sam Gaines was a very good comedy old man. Will Brown, the straight, in one scene, was a reminiscent Walker fashion plate. Theodore Pankey was a surprise as an ardent woer, and his music was rendered with dramatic intensity, and Eugene Perkins as a lawyer was passable. Miss Evon Robinson, first leading lady, was an art statue in beauty and her voice was better than ever in "That's the Kind of a Man I Want." Daisy Martin, another art treasure, was attractive in the song "Rock Me in the Cradle of Love," and Ethel Williams was a clever suffragette. As an innovation, Johnnie Peters, who invented the Texas Tommy was a central figure in the dances, assisted by three girls. The fall of the maiden quick and languid, was a new clever science which took rank and won big applause, but his footwork in nimble dancing lacks in rapidity. The quartett was a novel feature and the dancing boys were a plenty and full of variety. The chorus was generally good and the orchestra was under the leadership of James J. Vaughn with Billy Butler as trap drummer. Others in the cast include Edna Morton, Adele Johnson, Flossie Brown, Daisy Brown, Mary Ray, Jennie Schepar and Effie Hollman, Norman Miller, Hamilton White, Billy Moore and Arthur B. Carr. If moving pictures are to share honors with musical comedies, the Darktown Follies will stand a good chance. The company will play all next week at the Globe theater, Wabash and Hubbard court, and people had better get their seats early.

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MAIDIE DE LONG AT THE GRAND.

Colored and White Tango Nights Draw Full Houses.

That pretty Maidie DeLong is a good character actress, was well denoted in her messenger boy baseball skit. She wore a wig of auburn hair, which made her resemble a fireman who drives the H. & L. truck of the neighborhood. Kelly & Galvin were fair. "His Father's Son" played a return. The DeVitts, acrobats, and Apollo trio, in living stautes, in bronze. completed the bill. The last half of last week had Tabor & Green (colored), who remained popular. Anthony & Ross were very good. Ben Hidwell, a very good novelty balancer, Leavitt & Dunsmore's "Woman Next Door," and Lew Canderson & Holmes, especially the comedian. The colored tango last Tuesday week had Brown & Brown winners. Walker & Merry, Jones & Jones and Cross & Simmons. The white tango last Friday had Jones & Bever winners; Stewart & Thomas, Ray & Thomas and Pierre & Neugent. Fleck Collins managed. The first weekly song publishers contest took place last Saturday evening. More will be said later.

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Morton & Wilson, Billy Cumby and Anita Wilkins at the New Monogram.

We are living in a honeycombed era and Morton & Wilson gave an act that was cleverly conceived and lavishly dressed. LeRoy Morton's "Up Today and Down Tomorrow" was nicely rendered and the team was a dream. Cumby & Warfield made their first appearance as a team, and easily won out. Warfield is a scientific dancer who takes rank and Cumby is an eccentric second and one of the funniest comedians. Anita Wilkins, prima donna, shared equal honors and Anderson & Holmes, especiall the comedian, won big favor. The tango contest which drew full houses last Friday had Brown & Brown winners; Simms & Cross and Glenn & Jones.

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Brown & Wallace at the Monogram. Philip Giles Captures the House.

Rose Brown & Lizzie Wallace, the popular dancers and singers are with us again and dazzled in shadow-lights and their art won favor. There were three lanky comedians on the bill, and Philip Giles, a legitimate comedian, won the house on his merits. String Beans, who has improved, and Jessie May, moved down from the other house, and Byrd & Byrd, the man a good comedian if he had something new and original. But they must lose sight of the idea that suggestive features will help them to qualify. The orchestra played in unison.

At the All-Picture Houses.

Sunday was a gala day at the States, as the "House of Mystery" was of great interest. The Lincoln had "Toils of Villainy" which drew curiosity seekers. These two houses of the Salkin enterprises are certainly booming.

The Up-Hill-Climb was a wonder at the Phoenix. The orchestra there includes Chas. Mitchell, the picture drummer. The Washington had full houses. Kathlyn No. 6 will be next Sunday's attraction. The Fountain on Thirty-fifth and the Alamo continue to draw paying houses.

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STAGE NOTES AND STROLL NEWS.

Brown & Lawson opened at Milwaukee on the Milues circuit, March 8th. They are booked west to sail for Australia.

Agnes Peeler is on the Consolidated time. She has opened at Columbus with Detroit and Cleveland to follow.

The Chateau at 346 East 35th street opposite Grand Boulevard, had a big crowd last Friday afternoon at their regular matinee. Clarence Jones orchestra was a feature.

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Cunningham's music store has introduced the downtown system of popular prices for all the latest songs.

Junk Edwards & Hattie Hardee are on the New York and western local time. They played the Ashland last week, with other dates to follow.

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Mrs. Gabrilla K. Smith, foster mother of Will Thomas, formerly manager of Down in Dixie Minstrels, died at her late residence, 3404 Wabash ave., March 4th. Mr. Thomas, who is now working with Matt Marshall, was out of the city.

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Billy Johnson, the original, has been staging some most pretentious numbers for Ted Snyder and Minnie Palmer. He and his friend, H. C. Dandridge, invited the critic to have a glass of wine. We were drinking to the health of May Seleste Johnson, the third child of his older age, who arrived in town January 20th.

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On Thursday, Feb. 26th, at Elk's Hall, G. H. Fagan, a tragic reciter, gave scenes from the works of Shakespeare, which were well spoken of. I regret that I was unable to be present.

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It is reported that Sullivan & Considines' circuit has been consumed into the Jones Linick & Schaeffer syndicate by signature of Aaron Jones. Marcus Loew will be at the head of the new concern.

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Junk Edwards, the actor, has invested in the new Fraternal Billiard Hall, at 3223 State street, nearly opposite the Grand theater. Jeffs Barber Shop and Junk's Shining Parlor are included. The executive partners also named are Milton Thompson and Walter Thomas. Arthur Metzner is manager.

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The Critic's Alibi for Storks.

(Prose for Billy Johnson.)

May Celeste Johnson's here,
And I the critic's all alone;
But the stork's I love most dear,
Art literature and baritone.

Storks can sing the sweetest songs,
Of ecstasy without words;
But none can figure in our wrongs
Like the critics and the birds.

—Sylvester Russell.

WOLFSCALE'S BAND GOES EAST.

Will Open at Madison Square Garden, New York—Will Begin Tented Season Later.

Prof. Jas. Wolfscale and his band will leave Chicago Saturday night, March 14, in a special car over the New York Central lines for New York City, where they will open their season of five weeks at Madison Square Garden, where they will be one of the features of the big new spectacle. After the engagement at Madison Square Garden they will begin their tented season of thirty-two weeks, taking an extensive tour from coast to coast. The roster of the band is as follows: Prof. Jas. Wolfscale, leader; Chas. Holloway, Ed Farrell, Roy Wolfscale, Albert Franklin, Wm. Carr, Arthur Madison, B. C. McWilliams, cornets; Oscar Lowe, R. J. Scott, W. P. Smith, John Harris, clarinets; Frosty Moore, Troy Wolfscale, Ray Wolfscale, Earl Johnson, Victor Alex, altos; Ernest C. Smith, Dave Lewis, baritone; Jas. McDonald, —— McShaw, Ed Hall, Geo. Sharp, Wm. Morgan, Willie Moorehead, Joe Sudler, trombones; Bennie Stratton, John Butler, Bud Campbell, basses; Sonny Grey, timpanines; Joe Webb, Ben Wolfscale, Earl Terry, drums and bells.

THE LAVARNIES, A WHITE TEAM, HAVE A WORD TO SAY.

Howard, Washington, D. C.,
March 8, 1914.

Freeman:

Gentlemen—Just a few lines, trusting you. will insert in your valuable paper. We are constant readers of same. We wish to inform you that we played at the Howard, "Theatre Beautiful," the week of March 2-9, and wish to state that we were treated lovely by Managers Thomas and Byers. Mr. Thomas claimed it was one of the best bills ever played in his house. The bill was composed of Hendricks and Lee, Maud Jones, the Lavarines, Honey, the Singing Dog; Bert Williams and her Picks, all of whom were well applauded. They have one of the best orchestras we ever played with, baring none, as we have played the big and small towns and we ought to be fair judges after forty years in the show business. We also wish to thank The Freeman, stage Manager Taylor and others for the courtesy shown us. We played a return engagement in four weeks we have played several colored houses and are always willing to play same as we have always been treated fine. While playing in the auditorium, Philadelphia, Pa., we were also treated with the best by Managers Smith and Goodman. We are under direction of S. H. Dudley. Anyone wishing our services can communicate with him. Address 1853 N. W. Seventh St., Washington, D. C. Trusting The Freeman will always prosper, we remain,

Respectfully,
THE LAVARNIES.

NOTES OF THE SUNNY DIXIE MINISTRY.

The Sunny Dixie Minstrels are still touring the Lone Star State. One more stand in Texas, then for the Territory. We were to show at Paris, Texas, February 23, but owing to the weather we had to cancel it. Anyway, we made the town March 6th and had to turn people away. Bryant and Wright, the B. and O. boys, had the pleasure of meeting their old-time friend, Doctor F. L. Etter. Mr. Arthur A. Wright, our cornetist and producer, has staged a new act entitled, "The Return of the Johnson Brothers." It is a scream from start to finish. Mr. Wm. McCoy is playing the straights in the act and certainly does his part. Happy Dudley, leading comedian, Rollie Little, Buddie Nelson, Butler, A. Wright, W. Webb, Diggs Brothers, Bradley and Jones, are among the number who make up the company. J. W. Wright sends regards to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Henderson. Isiah Wilds sends regards to Ralph Redmond and Joe White. Watch the next issue for our base ball line up. I wish Doc Taylor would write me.

NOTES FROM J. M. BUSBY'S MINSTREL.

We are now in the State of Oklahoma, having added to our show the well known comedian Norris Grisby, late of Allen's Minstrels, and also Chas. H. Clark, the young American colored magician, just closed on the Dudley time, is one of our featured attractions. He would like to hear from all friends, as per route. Prof. Timmons would like to hear from Arthur Prince.

DOUGLASS THEATER, MACON, GA.

(By Horace Woodard.)

Quite a serious accident happened to Miss Kite Fisher Saturday night. She was bit by a bull dog. The owner of dog living next door.____Mr. Joseph Mann, of this city quietly married on the 23d day of February, to the daughter of Mr. Jno. Rawls, Miss Jeraldine Rawls, at their home. Coats, Ga. They are now residing at the home of Mr. Joseph Mann, 427 Elliot st., E. Macon, Ga. Would like to hear from all friends.____The Douglass Theater: Harkam & Jones, better known as "Dollar Bill," making good on their second week at "The Douglass Theater." ____Paul Duval, C. A. Singleton, first tenors; S. W. Brister, H. Hamilton, second tenors; F. S. Shirley, J. W. Williams, first bass; F. Mutchins, D. D. Davis, W. C. Connor, second bass, at City Auditorium, Macon, Ga., School of Augusta, Ga.

ON THE COLORED CONSOLIDATED TIME.

Week of March 16th.

Monogram, Chicago—Nora B. Goff, Sellman & Jackson.

New Monogram, Chicago—Phillia Giles, Allen & Marshall.

Metropolitan, Memphis—Thomas Melton, Bonnie & Semoura.

Alpha, Cleveland—The Arrants, The Moores.

Dunbar, Columbus—The Carter Trio, Ebbie Burton.

Pekin, Cincinnati—Taylor & Glenn, Andrew Tribble and Wife.

Booker Washington, St. Louis—Clinton & Francis, Rose Gordon, Stringbeans, May & May.

New Pekin, Dayton—Stovall & Stovall, Tyler & Girwood.

Unique, Detroit—Washburn & Piper, Bessie Walker.

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Chicago, Ill., Mar. 8, 1914.

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ROUTE.

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Wm. McCabes' Georgia Troubadours—Novinger, Mo., March 16-17; Brashear, 18; Hurdland, 19.

Huntington's Minstrels—F. C. Huntington, Mgr.—Memphis, Tenn., March 16-17; Brinkley, Ark., 19; Jonesboro, 20; Paragould, 21.

S. Tutt Whitney, in the "Wrong Mr. President"—Howard Theater, Washington, D. C., week of March 23.

J. Leubrie Hill, in "The Darktown Follies"—Globe Theater, Chicago, Ill., week of March 23.

J. M. Busby's Minstrels—Tecumseh, Okla., March 16; Shawnee, 17; Wewaka, 18; Holdenville, 19; Wetumka, 20.

Young Bros'. Shows United—Holly Springs, Miss., week of March 16.

Dark Town Butterfly Minstrels— W. E. Pace, Mgr.—Mexia, Tex., March 16; Groesbeck, 17; Thornton, 18; Kosse, 19; Bremond, 20; Calvert, 21.

Mitchell & Briggs' Minstrels—Plainwell, Mich., March 16, 17, 18; Greenville, 19, 20, 21.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Austin, W. H.	LaRose, C. H.
Arnte, Billy.	Lawson,Golfport
Arnett, Walter.	Lee, Walter
Alexander, William	Lykes, Wm.
Alford, Johnnie	Leggs, Golden
Brown, Clarence.	Mosby, Curtis
Bowen, Chas. E.	Mathews, Alvin
Berry, Johnnie.	Mack, Billy.
Banks, Jesse.	Mills, Billy.
Bevard, Sylvester	Miller, Joe.
Bryon, W. M	Mayfield, W. H.
Brown, J. W.	Moreland, Frank
Carter, Oscar C.	Marshall, Matt
Cox & Cox	McCue, Henry
Carter, Edna.	Pugh, E. E.
Collins, Eldridge	Pearch, Wm.
Coffey, C. H.	Parlin, Charles
The Colemans.	Powell, John M.
Collins, Eldridge	Patton, Joseph
Davis Lumford.	Porter, Peter.
Dade, Elmore.	Pope, Lee
Dokes, Joe.	Russell, Lester
Douglass, Frederick	Redmond, Teddy
Davis, Jolly E.	Redmond, Ralph.
Edwards, B. E.	Reeves, Jesse.
Edwards, John	Ramsey, Thomas.
Edwards, Willie.	Rhodes, Samuel.
Earle, Harry J.	Stokes, LeRoy
Erwin, John.	Stafford, Harry
Elbon Jack.	Singleton, Eddie
Farrell, Ed	Sulver, T. H.
Frank Shaw's Minstrels.	Stamper, George.
Goines, Charles.	Stewart Dink.
Grady, Frederick	Sarrant, Geo. W.
Happy Dudley	Smith, A. J.
Harrison, Frank.	Smith, Lehmon.
Hicks, Mason	Sanford, Harry.
Holmes, James	Two Sweets.
Homegay, Clyde	Stone & Stone.
Johnson, E. L.	Stewart and Anderson.
Jackson, S. S.	Terry, Frank.
Jones, Silas.	Tobias, J. H.
Jones, Thomas	Tillman, Page.
Jackson, Roscoe.	Thomas, Bonnie B.
Johnson, G.	Thomas, Ulyous.
Johnson, J. R.	Thompson, U. S.
Jones, J. H.	Vaughn, W. T.
Jones, Billie	Wade, P. W.
Kersands, Billy	Wogord, Cliff
	Whale, James.
	Williams, Willie.

Ladies' List.

Ashford, Mayme.	Kent, Jessie
Barnett, Nettie.	Mill Sisters.
Brown, Bessie.	Overstreet, Mrs. Carrie
Brown, Mrs. James.	Perkins, Alberta
Dudley, Edna	Reangusters, Bertha
Davis, Mrs Georgia	Redmond, Rebecca
Dade, Florence.	Sweetie, May.
Elkins, Mollie.	Thompson, Miss Addie
Flemming, Ethel	Townsend, Mary
George, Miss Essie	Thompson, Lizzie
Johnson, Estella.	White, Miss Georgia
Johnson, Miss Tillie	White, Gonzelo.
Jones, Miss Sallie	Young, Blanche
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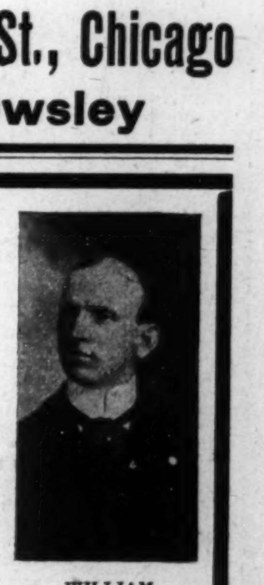

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YOUNG BROTHERS, Holly Springs, Miss., Week of March 16

Malloy & Moore, Italian and Coon in their second week at the Pekin theater, Cleveland, O.

Jines, of Jines & Hill, is on the sick list. He hopes to be doing business in the near future.

Cherokee Thornton sends regards to friends. He would like to hear from Leon and Harry Long.

Laura Smith opened at the Pike theater, Mobile, and scored quite a success in Sis Hopkins. Hilo Harry Fields, Emma Thornton, Clarence Wheat, English & English.

Little Seymour James, the singing and dancing comedian, is cleaning up with Young Bros. Black Troubadours. Featuring "Balling the Jack" and "Row, Row, Row," but will be back in vaudeville in April.

The Jolly Edw. Lankford, manager of Grand Central theater, Lexington, Mo. Miss Mae Harris, leading lady; Miss Mable Hogan, the girl with the sweet voice; Mr. James Mobely as Rastus A. Hotlove, stage manager and producer. This is a company of eighteen people.

A CARD OF THANKS.

Bonham, Texas.

We wish to thank our many friends that were so kind to assist us, during our recent quarantine. May God's sweetest blessing be upon them. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Stout, 516 E. Elm St., Bonham, Texas.

THEATRICAL NEWS OF LYNCHBURG, VA.

Mr. Johnson, manager of the Ford Theater, has been sick for several weeks from acute indigestion. Mr. Taylor and Miss Lena Turner in a team is making good this week at the Ford. Miss Bessie Edgington and dog are dancing some this week at Ford.

NASHVILLE STUDENTS No. 2.

We are playing our last week in California. Just closed at Santa Ana and opened March 2d at Pasadena for one week, then the Imperial valley for a week, then Phenix and Denver to follow. We will lay off a week in Denver and start back to the coast. We have lost one day since we left Omaha in 1913. Worked to the coast in eleven weeks. The show is doing good business, and will be in Denver by May the first.

COY HENDERSON, Manager.

NOTES FROM THE J. C. O'BRIEN'S FAMOUS GEORGIA MINSTRELS.

We are still in dear old Georgia and business is good, but we have the flash to get the business. We are featuring two bands, one drum corps and a steam calliope. Mr. Mancy Williams keeps them walking dogie when he plays the Blues on the steam calliope. The No. 1 band under the leadership of Prof. G. W. Ayers, is handling all the latest marches and overtures, such as "Poet and Peasant," "Flowers of Italy," "William Tell." Roster of band No. 1: Trombones, Ben Goodall, H. Harrison, Joe Brinkley; cornets, J. W. Ayres, T. R. Ramsey, L. McCormick; altos, D. R. Hull, Lockwood Lewis, Arthur Giggs; baritone, Geo. Barrett; tuba, Walter Wardell; clarinets, James Ward, H. C. Williams; drums, Hi Henry Hunt, C. Hamilton. No. 2 band as follows: L. D. Jordan, Le Drapen, Ed Nightgal, Geo. Braston, Frank Outlaw, Will Burley, Ed Perry, Charles Trice. Mr. Jim Anderson, that funny little comedian, is still cleaning singing "Balling the Jack." Mr. Lockwood Lewis, that clever interlocutor, knows just how to handle the center. The one and original Silas Green keeps them screaming nightly. My how that man can spin. Miss Estelle Ramsey, the girl from Virginia, is cleaning singing "I Want My Man." Mr. Sam Jones that clever comedian, is still here and is holding his own. E. Alfred Drew, the Juggling Jester, the boy who keeps things moving, also holding them spellbound with his slack wire act. Mr. P. G. Graham, our old time comedian, is still here. The entire show sends best regards to the Lees D. Wayman Nites of the Rabbitt Foot Show. Lockwood Lewis sends his best regards to Sherley Jones, Joe Hobbs, Sam Jackson, all in and out of the profession.

J. B. NORTON WRITES FROM PALATKA, FLA.

In the state of Florida, we are meeting with more cold weather this season than we have ever before. We have played the entire east coast, and at a great many of the places we had to play return dates, such as Palm Beach, Daytona, Palatka, Sanford and a great many others. The show is making good at every stop. The Watts Bros. will rejoin us at Jacksonville. On the stage as follows: Charles E. Rue, Clifford Brooks, Emmitt Burgis, Lewis Constellemir, W. R. Earl, One Happie Howard, Isaac Jones, Jerman White, Daniel Perkins Albert (nip up) Smith and Mr. J. H. McComron. Have the greatest colored band on the road, bar none. As follows: J. H. McComron, director; Basie Gray, solo cornet; Walter Lee, solo cornet; G. B. Brooks, E flat cornet; William (King) Phillips, solo clarinet; Henry Phillips, second clarinet; Markins Oneal, E flat clarinet; Robert Gant, solo meterphone; Robert Miller, second melerphone; William Fisher, E. phomm; Eldridge Collins, first trombone; Pearl Mappins, second trombone; Mase McQuittie, bass; John Walker, snare drum; Chas. E. Rue, base drum. The team, Fisher & Miller is making good in there musical act, E paneum and saxophone duet accompanied by the band. Robert Miller is a real comedian. The act of Verdon & Norton, the Jew and the Coon, is worth the admission alone. Norton is an old reliable comedian and has been stage manager of the show since 1905, and is still giving satisfaction in his own act as central in the telephone office. It is a scream from start to finish, assisted by Charley Rue, John Verdon, Jerman White and Clifford Brooks. William (King) Phillips has just returned from Jacksonville, Fla., where he got married last Sunday night, March 1st. He received a number of presents from the boys. He is now happy as a lark. J. B. Norton would like to hear from C. Adam Larose and George Coleman. Write all mail to Hazen, Ark., care Allen's minstrel.

NOTES FROM J. M. BUSBY'S MINSTRELS.

We are now playing our last week in Texas and are going into Oklahoma. Everybody is in the best of health. Mr. Jno. Dennis and Mrs. Hattie Payton closed with us at Eastland, Tex., to join the New Orleans Minstrels, and we wish them much success. Mr. Frank Miller, our trombone and violin player, closed at Bridgeport, Tex., on account of illness at home. Mr. Thos. Stevens and Kid Singleton joined us at Colorado City, Tex. Our show is running very smoothly and Prof. Timmon's band is making good, composed of eleven pieces. Prof. Timmons, solo cornet; Jas. Lacy, solo cornet; Titus Triplet, first B cornet; Thos. Stevens, clarinet; Alonzo Williams, solo alto; Frank Nichols, first alto; J. E. Scott, baritone; W. L. Hulett, trombone; Floyd Tucker, tuba; Jas. Wallburg, snare drum; Jacob Ward, bass drum. Miss Effie Moore is at Marlin Springs on account of illness. We all miss her very much. Miss Willie Venerable is making a hit singing "Take Me to That Tango Tea." Mrs. Lena Hulett is featuring "Cross the Mason-Dixie Line." Mrs. Alonzo Williams is doing nicely singing "I Don't Want To." Mr. Jacob Ward, Simon Jones, Jas. Watkins, Kid Singleton, our end men, keep the house in an uproar. Miss Willie Veneral sends best regards to Frankie Lathan. Alonzo Williams would like to hear from Abe Wright. Thomas Stevens sends regards to Leon Marshal's bunch and would like to hear from Leon Marshal. Kid Singleton sends regards to Billie McClain Stock Company. Simon Jones would like to hear from Idelia Redman. Prof. Timmons would like to hear from a No. 1 musician. Major Daniels, our bass soloist and wife send regards to all in and out profession.

GOOD COLORED COMEDY.

Smart Set Company Plays "The Wrong Mr. President" Amusingly.

"The Wrong Mr. President" was the Smart Set Company's bill last night at the Academy and the two-act comedy went roaringly.

The house was pretty well filled and the colored people gave the players of their set real appreciation. The best colored chorus that ever sang at the Academy accompanies the Smart Set Company and its members were tuneful music.

The cast is made up of thirty or more men and women, with two exceedingly fine soprano voices and one excellent tenor. There may be more voices that had no opportunity to star. Salem Tutt Whitney, besides being a clever comedian, gave out a big bass in the chorus and impersonated "The Wrong Mr. President" well.

Besides the seventeen song hits, which were not drawn out to everlasting length by needless encores, ragtime features, tangoing, turkey trotting, bunny hugging and Texas Tommying were phases of modern dancing that must have satisfied the most radical taste for novelty. The two voices of note in the duets were those of Blanche Thompson and Russell Smith, soprano and tenor, who sang and danced the tango with great dexterity.

The performance was attended by a few white people who rated it above all that have come here before in cleverness of Negro impersonation by Negro artists and in cleanness of act. It was entirely free from the taint of coarseness.—Durham (N. C.) News and Observer.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING.

(By Salem Tutt Whitney, of the Smart Set Company.)

PLAYING STOCK.

Managers of colored theaters, especially in the South, experience much difficulty in securing the proper entertainment for their patrons. There is entirely too much sameness in the vaudeville acts. Not enough novelty and originality. The usual vaudeville act opens with a song, followed by dialogue, too often dull and uninteresting, or jokes, very often of doubtful vintage; then there is another song or dance, some more dialogue or jokes and closes with a song or dance. This vehicle for a vaudeville sketch would be appreciated if the songs were new or original, the jokes fresh, the dances unique and novel.

There are many vaudeville artists who make an honest effort at originality, but no sooner does some intelligent performer produce something new, than some lazy incompetent, steals the act and hurries to new fields and exploits the plagarism as the product of his own brain.

In the scramble for acts, managers afford legitimate acts too little protection and make it altogether too easy for mediocore acts and talentless performers to get work.

All a disgruntled chambermaid, scrub-girl, dish-washer, cook, waiter or porter need do is learn three songs, not necessarily new, know how to "ball-the-jack" and "get-over-Sal" (wardrobe is not an indispensable requisite, managers often costume an act before it can make a respectable appearance), about $1.50 is required for letter-heads with which to write to some manager, asking for a prohibitively low salary and the girl or man of "all-work" is ready to leave their lowly occupation and launch upon a vaudeville career.

The rapid increase in colored playhouses and the demand for talented performers who can stay at one house for one or more weeks has given us the Producer and the Stock Company. When one set of performers meet the approval of the patrons of a house and increase the attendance, the manager of that house wishes to retain the drawing card and the performers are encouraged to stay so long as they can change their program and please the patrons.

At present there are several stock companies that can play one theater for an indefinite time and give satisfaction. They present dramas, comedies, farce-comedies and musical comedies. These different shows may be written and staged by a producer with the company or be chosen from some standard or stock plays that are for sale upon the market.

Most colored theaters require the stock companies to change shows weekly or semi-weekly. While playing the Lyric Theater, Newport News, Va., under the management of Matt Lewis, my stock company changed program nightly for twenty consecutive nights without a repetition. No show we presented was shorter than an hour and a quarter and consisted mostly of musical comedies written by myself, with special music composed by T. L. Corwell, J. Homer Tutt and Henry Waterson. We also produced three dramas, including "Uncle Tom's Cabin," two farce comedies, one minstrel show and one entire vaudeville bill. The musical comedies were not paded with specialties to make them reach the required length of time. Of course all these shows had been played by the company at different times and places, but while we were changing program nightly we were rehearsing daily for the big Smart Set show and were compelled to put on the night shows without a rehearsal. I speak of this only as a wonderful tribute to the memory, talent and all round ability of the boys and girls who were associated with me. Their names were Sank Sims, Blanche Sims, Sam Gardner, Mamie Gardner, Ethel and Nina Marshall, Mabel Brown, Babe Brown, Hallie Dean, Nettie Taylor, Frank Jackson, Will Bayard, Buss Williams, and Henry Waterson. With this same company, augmented by the addition of James Woodson, H. S. Wooten, Mabel Dehearde, Geo. Rhone, Georgia Davis, Al Strauder, Lindsey Lewis, J. J. Weaver, Daisy Martin, and T. L. Corwell I played a repertoire of musical comedies in the first class houses of Indiana and Illinois, making "three-night" and "week-stands," changing program nightly. I have not heard of another colored musical comedy repertories company playing first class white theaters. The Hyer Sisters with Sam (Dad) Lucas, played repertoire in the West, but they represented dramas and comedies.

The Pekin Stock company of Chicago, Ill., with J. Ed Green, as producer, was the greatest of all colored stock companies. It included in its personel some of the most noted actors, actresses, singers, musicians and dancers of the race.

At present there are several good stock companies working principally in the South, where there is a large Negro population and the colored houses do not enter into competition with the white houses.

Probably the first of these was known as the Russell, Owens, Brooks' Stock Company. This company split, leaving Bob Russell and Billy Owens at the head of one company and Marion Brooks and Speedy Smith leading another. Marion Brooks is now managing the new Lincoln theater in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Russell and Owens company with the Brown Sisters, Madame LeRue, J. Shaffer, Lena Wiggins, Lillian Brown and Gerald Hamilton in the cast, are very popular. They played 35 successful weeks at Stile's Pekin theater, Savannah, Ga. The highest kind of a recommendation for Bob and Billy.

Billy King entered the field of stock while managing the Central theater, Atlanta, Ga. Billy's company has reached a high degree of efficiency and is in continual demand. The company is able to stay at one theater indefinitely without losing prestige.

Lew Kenner's stock company is also a strong drawing card. Mr. Kenner is ambitious and a conscientious worker. He possesses a magnetic personality which contributes greatly to the company's success. Associated with Mr. Kenner are Hendricks & Lee, Annie St. Claire, Rastus Mason, Vanclay & Thomas and Milly Williams. This company played 27 weeks at Frank Croud's Globe theater, Jacksonville, Fla., and later played a return engagement of 14 weeks.

Ed. Lee's Creole Belle company is also doing commendable work.

Sidney Perrin is a noted producer, not only is he competent to write his own plays, but he composes the music for the same. Mr. Perrin would be a success in the South with a good surrounding company.

The field of "stock" lost one of its most able exponents when Tim Owsley, the Little Wizard, became manager of the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis, Ind.

The stock companies give their managers good financial returns and they in turn are able to pay their people good salaries. Chorus people $16.00 to $20.00. Principals $20.00 to $35.00 weekly.

A "stock" experience, under a good producer and director, is invaluable. One not only becomes versatile but self-reliant. It cultivates the memory, increases and perfects one's talents and fits one to enter successfully almost any department of theatrical endeavor.

EARNEST WHITMAN BECOMES MANAGER OF TEXAS THEATER.

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GREENVILLE, Texas, March 4.—The Pastime Theatre opened last week with a strong bill. Mr. W. D. Pratt has engaged Hr. Ernest Whitman as stage manager and producer. He is putting on some fine shows—vaudeville and stock. The company consists of Lapori and Bailey, the merry fun makers in high class songs and dances; Miss Bessie Anderson Savoy is cleaning up singing "Cutey Boy;" Alma (Petie) Williams, our comedian, knocks them all off their seats with his droll comedy. You can't get away from it. Madam Correlia, our leading lady, has got the hearts of the Greenville patrons with her sympathetic talk and she is singing Carrissein. Whitman and White, Ernest and Lizzie, are going fine with their classic act entitled "If We Were Alone," and the S. R. O. sign is up every night. The manager is all smiles every night and the ghost walks every Saturday night. Would like to hear from performers at all times. Whitman sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Would like to hear from Archie Jones and Lillian Wright and H. Drake La-La-Pou.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT.

Week of March 9.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theater: Lew W. Henry, Mgr.; Frank Duke, Irene Morgan. Howard Theater: Andrew J. Thomas, Mgr.; Dora Patterson Trio, Ricks & Talbert, Leonce Lazzo Johnson. Chelsea Theater: D. Gentry, Mgr.; Green & Pugh. Foraker Theater: Davis Bros., Mgr.; Original Rags.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theater: W. J. Coulter, Mgr; Delyons & Jeffrey, Alberta Whitman & Picks. Dixie Theater: H. C. Everhart, Mgr.; Hill Sisters.

Roanoke, Va.—Boston Theater: H. D. Jones, Mgr.; Jones & White, Isola Ringold.

Danville, Va.—Columbia Theater: W. A. Donlevy, Mgr.; King Williams, Clarice Wright.

Lynchburg, Va.—Ford's Theater: R. F. Johnson, Mgr.; Hester Kenton, Baker & Brown.

Wilson, N. C.—Globe Theater: J. J. Privett, Mgr.; Lewis & Lewis, Minstrel Morris.

Philadelphia, Pa.— Auditorium Theater: John Smith, Mgr.; Green & Green, Sam Evans.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Star Theater: Abe Miberry, Harris; Dewey & Dewey, Maude Jones.

Dayton, Ohio—Dunbar Theater: R. H. Mallory, Mgr.; Sanford & Sanford; Jake Hellens, Washburn & Piper, Minus & Byrant.

Columbus, Ohio—Dunbar Theater: E. B. Dudley, Mgr.; Buzzin Burton, Mississippi Trio.

Cleveland, Ohio—Alpha Theater: N. Edleman, Mgr.; Thompson & Cross, La Blanche Young.

Louisville, Ky.—Ruby Theater: Mrs. S. H. Dudley, Mgr.; Andrew Henry, Lorraine & Pinkey, Nicholas & Logan.

WANTS NEWS OF THE COLORED BASEBALL CLUBS.

Norfolk, Va., Mar. 4, 1914.

Dear Sir—I take great pleasure in writing for information about colored baseball. Here recently we have heard of a colored baseball league which has been organized for the coming season. Now at the present time we are waiting for the outcome, whatsoever it may be, and we like to be put in the limelight. I am a member of the Y. M. C. A. reading in your paper last week about the white baseball players, but don't publish very much about the colored baseball players, so we are very anxious to know of the colored baseball world, and what they are doing. The Y. M. C. A. is very interested in colored baseball, and the Y. M. C. A. wants the Freeman to carry a baseball sheet for the benefit of them, and the Freeman readers of Norfolk, Va. Please answer through your paper this week or as early as possible, stating some facts that you know of about the colored baseball league, and also the colored baseball world. The colored people of Norfolk never see anything or hear anything about the colored baseball world, and anything they are doing, showing plainly to you the double increase sale it would be for the Freeman in Norfolk. Please take this letter under consideration, and the baseball sheet matter, because it will increase the sale of the paper a great deal in the State of Virginia, and show additional progress also. I remain, yours truly, a member of the Y. M. C. A., Norfolk, Va.

We will gladly publish baseball information of colored clubs. In fact we have solicited such information. But our people act too much on the spur of the moment. They do not care to figure ahead of time, consequently they don't have much to give out ahead of time. The white clubs begin plotting and planning as soon as the season closes for the next season. Of course, there is not the same season for similar interest in our own clubs, money considerations and so forth. However, they can do much more than they do by the way of plotting and planning than they do. They can build up more interest by "cultivating" the situation. The letter is timely. It is appreciated. We trust our reply is also timely.—Editor of the Freeman.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

The resumption of train service from New York to a degree sufficient for the maintaining of a reasonable schedule on Monday permitted storm stayed actors to arrive in the city in time for the night performance at this house. The Vervalin Trio were the headliners this week, and there was a sincerity in the welcome which the audience gave them, and they were soon brought to a realization of the dramatic power, the abundant acrobatic art and the forceful musical genius of this troupe. Their varied costumes were the finest ever seen in this house; they were encored continuously. Emmett Anthony as a black face comedian, hit the mark. His sayings were original and witty, and made the audience laugh every time he opened his mouth, and the singing of his cuckoo song was wonderful. He certainly is a rival of the late George S. Knight. Vaughler, Solidy Co. were interesting in their songs and dances. Gillian & Cook, as the tramp and the coon, came in for their share of applause, and wound up their act in burlesque dancing in short skirts, which greatly pleased everybody. Reese Brothers & Co., with 9 people, sang plantation melodies did buck and wing dancing and amused with old folks lore. The staging was handsomely done, was attractive and showed good taste, and took one back to old plantation days. The solos were unusually good, the ladies having excellent voices. An agitation is now on foot to get up a testimonial benefit for Manager John T. Gibson by the leading citizens of this city to show their admiration of him as a man of great endowment as well as for that quality of personality which has distinguished him as a worthy representative of a worthy profession, who has given us a first class theater in every respect.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

(By E. Klemon Anderson.)

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Cox Duo.

Madame Cox, assisted by "Baby" Cox, the child prodigy, is here this week, much to the delight of Metropolitan theatergoers. Every night is Xmas with "baby" Cox, as her cleverness has made a "Santa Claus" of every patron, each one bringing some token of appreciation. Madame Cox is pleasing in her songs and dances.

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After tiring efforts and a special trip to St. Louis, our big hearted manager, Mr. A. Barrasso finally succeeded in binging us that "odd pair" White & Plenty with plenty of wholesome fun. Memphis is a "dry" city, but this theater is very much "wet" owing to the tears of laughter drawn out by these two "side splitting" comedians and grotesque dancers.

Bill Week of March 9th.

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GEORGE DAY MAY GO INTO VAUDEVILLE.

Is Still With Thomas Jubilee Singers.

George Day, a member of the Thomas Jubilee company, is here, considering a long booking in first-class vaudeville and it is probable that he will enter it at an early date. Mr. Day has long been a successful representative of The Freeman and a good performer. He can be addressed at the Antrim Lyceum Bureau, 1001 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa., where he would be glad to hear from all old friends as well as the new.

The Brinklip, one of the big time colored acts now playing through the East, are at the Lyceum Theater, Nyack, N. Y., and Brooklyn this week. Regards to Sylvester Russell and the Chicago bunch.

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SPORT HAPPENINGS AND COMMENT.

Gathered From Here and There Compiled in the Interest of the "Cult."

(By Billy Lewis.)

The A. B. C.'s baseball club will have a bunch of new players this season. A few of the best of the old team it is thought will show up at the sounding of the gong to play ball.

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The Memphis Eagles baseball club will begin their spring training at their home grounds, Klondike Park, March 15. Would like to hear from all traveling clubs.

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Years of service put in by fighters: George Dixon, 18; Joe Wolcott, 14; Joe Gans, 15; George McFadden, 15; Bob Fitzsimmons, 17; Joe Choynski, 16; James J. Corbett, 17; "Kid" McCoy, 15; Jack (Twin) Sullivan, 15; Harry Forbes, 15; Battling Nelson, 13.

Years of service put in by baseball players: Adrian C. Anson, 23; Cy Young, 22; Fred Clark, 20; Willie Keeler, 19; Hans Wagner, 17; John Kling, 17; Nap Lajoie, 17; Harry Davis, 18; Hughey Jennings, 16; Jimmy Callahan, 20; Tommy Leach, 17; Billy Sullivan, 17.

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NEW YORK.—Battling Levinsky's lack of a punch was the topic of interest among fight fans, following his decisive victory over Fred McKay, of Winnipeg, March 3d. Levinsky outboxed his opponent at every turn, and had McKay in distress several times, but was unable to put across a knockout blow.

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MILWAUKEE.—Prize fights between negroes and white fighters will not be permitted in Wisconsin, under a ruling announced March 4th, by the state boxing commission. This action will prevent the proposed fight at Kenosha between Sam Langford, the Boston negro, and Carl Morris, of Oklahoma.

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At Paris, March 6th, Mlle. M. Carpentier, twenty, was declared the female champion pugilist, following her knockout of Mlle. Warner in the fourth round of a scheduled six-round bout at Chantilly. Mlle. Warner forced the pace at the start and the first two rounds were slightly in her favor. Mlle. Carpentier opened up in the third and fourth rounds, however, and knocked her opponent after raining a score of hard punches to the head. The bout took place before a large audience of fashionably dressed men and a surprisingly large number of women. Mlle. Carpentier appeared in the ring wearing a mauve-colored worsted costume with a pink sash about her waist. Mlle. Warner wore a white sweater over black tights.

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It is given out that James Thorpe, the most famous athlete of modern times, may become a member of the Indianapolis American Association team for the season of 1914. He was rated while at the Carlisle school, one of the greatest of all football players, more than a fair baseball player and the greatest all-around athlete the country ever has seen. The story of how he won fame at Stockholm in the Olympic games and was required to turn back the laurels because it subsequently was learned he had played "summer baseball," is equally as well known.

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John Taylor, steel arm John as he is better known, is in Indianapolis in the interest of the A. B. C.'s baseball club, of which his brother, C. I. Taylor, is part owner and manager. Steel Arm John is one of the famous colored pitchers. His name is suggestive of his ability. He was formerly of the West Baden Sprudels, with which club he won his reputation. He will be seen this year in the A. B. C.'s pitching box. It is thought that in the reorganization of the club he will be one of the chief attractions.

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The following questions are being asked by a certain publication, the persons giving the best answers are rewarded with prizes:

First Question—With less than two out and a man on first, what should be the position of the defense if the batter bunts down first base line?

Second Question—With less than two out and a runner on third, what should be the position of the defense on a fly to left field?

Third Question—With less than two out and a runner on first what should be the position of the defense if the batter singles to right field?

Fourth Question—With one out, runners on first and third and a slow man at bat, the team in the field one run ahead, what should be the position of the defense to prevent a run?

Fifth Question—With one out, runners on first and third, a fast man at bat and the teams tied, what should be the position of the defense to prevent a run?

Sixth Question—With less than two out and a runner on second, what should be the position of the defense if the batter singles to right center?

The answers must be drawn in on diagrams which are printed in the publication for that purpose.

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The chief end of all athletic competition is to produce good healthy bodies. With a good body, a clear mind follows, and no man can hope to succeed without a quick thinking brain. Then, too, the contact that a boy has with his fellows, does much to improve him. He is taught to be a good winner as well as a good loser, and if he cannot cultivate these ideals he soon finds he is not popular. The boy who is always making excuses and forever complaining finds himself very much alone. It is even a good thing to remember that there is some one else, somewhere, who is probably just as good. If you are a loser just make up your mind to be a winner next time.—Howard Drew.

BEANS, BREAD AND BEER ARE BOOMED IN BASEBALL BOUT

When the baseball tempest again seeks a level, regardless of the outcome of the struggle between organized magnates and the Feds, the fans can size up the situation and see where a number of the Federal magnates did not do so badly in the grand smear of publicity. Charles Weeghman, the Chicago Fed magnate, owns a string of beaneries, and Weeghman has been so well advertised by reason of the baseball war that the beaneries are jammed day and night by patrons who want to say they had their lunch hooks in some of Weeghaman's eats.

Over in St. Louis is Otto Stifel, who owns a brewery in addition to bossing the money end of the St. Louis Feds. Stifel's beer suddenly has become popular and there are now twice as many persons blowing the suds off the Stifel brand. St. Louis is some beer town, too. Down east is a brand of bread known as "Tip Top,' and it is baked in a big bakery owned by Robert M. Ward, of the Brooklyn Fed team. Advices from New York are to the effect that business is booming in the Ward bake shop. Jim Gilmore the president of the Feds, is in the ventilating business, and it is said that his business has taken a great boom as the result of the free advertising that came to him through the baseball fuss. There are other magnates in different lines of business, and all of them have profited by the publicity. Right here in Indianapolis, J. Edward Krause controls a couple of hotels and his business is said to have profited greatly because of the baseball uproar, in which Krause is frequenty heard.

Yea, bo, advertising is a great thing in all lines of business, beans, bread, beer or any old thing.

JOHNSON WISE NOT TO FIGHT

"Gunboat" Smith Says That Black Champion Fears for Meal Ticket.

Would Be Surprised if Colored Boxer Accepts—Expects Moran to Win.

KELLOGG, Idaho.—Jack Johnson, the "Big Smoke," is not foolish enough to jeopardize his theatrical attraction, which has been bringing him in from $1,500 to $2,000 a week in La Belle France, according to Gunboat Smith, acclaimed the champion of American "white hopes," who appeared here in vaudeville at the Isis theater last night.

"Why should Johnson fight any one who is a real contender for the championship honors?" asked Smith this morning. "When he takes on any one who might down him his meal ticket is punched out and he goes into the class of Jim Corbett and Jim Jeffries as far as theatrical engagements are concerned. He is making more money in the theatrical business in France than he could if he were in the fighting game. If he fights and loses he will be a has-been and the admission will have to be cut from $1 to 10 cents.

"I have a challenge in to meet Johnson and I would be as surprised to have it accepted as I would be if Abe Attell took me on for a finish bout. Johnson is playing wise or his manager is.

Would Have to Fight in France.

"Johnson has a great chance to come back to America. They want him here and they want to make sure that they will keep him here and that's the reason he is staying on the other side. If he did take me up the fight would have to be in France.

"I only hope he will take up my challenge. He is due for a licking and I don't know any one in the world I would rather see hand it to him than Gunboat Smith. Johnson is on easy street now and the chances are that he is not the same Johnson who stepped into the ring with Jeffries when he won the title. What was true about Jeffries being unable to "come back" will be true about Johnson, for Johnson lives a year while Jeffries is living a month.

Expects Moran to Win.

"Johnson has a bout coming up with Moran and it wouldn't surprise me if Moran won, because Johnson has not been keeping in training. Moran knows who he is up against and Johnson is likely to underestimate Moran's ability."

Smith is now on a vaudeville tour, having set out from Chicago several weeks ago and has just completed a tour through Canada. He opens at the Pantages in Spokane Sunday and in the meantime had a week to give to the smaller towns, including Butte, Missoula, Wallace and Kellogg. He is appearing in a sparring act with Jack Hemple, going on with him in a little setto and doing bag punching, rope skipping, shadow boxing and other common pugilistic vaudeville.

Meets Willard in June.

Smith is to meet Jess Willard in San Francisco in June if the forfeit demanded is posted. Smith claims that his own vaudeville tour will help him to keep in condition, as he is working out every day with his sparring partner.

Smith lacks the bombastic tendencies of the average ring heroes. Interviewing him is a series of questions and answers. When in repose he looks pretty much like a good natured lumberjack but when stripped for the ring he is as lively as 200 pounds could well be.

COMPETITION SHARP IN TOURNAMENT.

Batchman's Amusement Palace Continues to Attract Crowds.

Special to The Freeman.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 2.—The bowling tournament which has been in progress on the Batchman alleys continues to draw large crowds, and the competition for the trophy is strong. Thursday night the Stars took three well-played games from the Nashville Banners by the following scores:

STARS—	1.	2.	3.	Tot.
E. Reed	114	88	94	296
B. Holloway	180	125	123	428
N. Scruggs	103	139	115	357
T. Alexander	148	120	133	401
W. Singleton	175	157	141	473
Totals	720	629	606	1955

BANNERS—	1.	2.	3.	Tot.
R. Edmon	131	114	85	330
F. Property	157	106	133	396
L. Garische	129	117	92	338
H. Hill	155	164	145	464
W. Pittman	132	116	144	392
Totals	704	617	599	1920

Standing to Date.

Team.	W.	L.	Pct.
Colts	8	1	.888
Stars	7	2	.777
Olympics	3	6	.333
Nashville Banners	0	9	.000

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Saturday afternoon a pleasant little bowling party enjoyed the sport. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Chambliss, Miss Mamie Russell, Mrs. J. M. Batchman and Mr. John Pope.

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Tuesday night the rink floor was transformed into an indoor baseball diamond and the Business and Professional Men defeated the Y. M. C. A. team in a close and exciting seven-inning game before a large audience. The score by innings:

B. and P. M.	3	3	1	2	3	10	7—29
Y. M. C. A.	4	1	1	3	7	3	9—28

Batteries—B. and P. M., Maxwell, Harris, Dooley and Thomas; Y. M. C. A., Hill and Johnson. Umpire, Dobson.

This week these teams will meet in the second game of the series.

Tuesday night the Elks gave their first masquerade ball on the large auditorium floor, which was given special care for the occasion. About 800 followers of the terpsichorean art attended and danced and feasted until the wee small hours of morn. The dining room in the basement, as well as the large hall and buffet, were given an added tinge of gaiety with profuse decorations. So successful was the entertainment that Polar Wave Lodge is contemplating a date for April to repeat. On March 16 Mound City Co. U. R., K. of P., will give a ball in the auditorium, which is conceded to be the largest and most conveniently appointed place of its kind in the West.

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Friday night the Provident Hospital Association, under the direction of Mrs. Bettie Simmons, assisted by Dr. George H. Jackson, gave a roller skating carnival benefit for the building fund, which it is hoped to make reach the sum of $30,000. There was a good attendance and the evening was pleasantly spent in little rollers.

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Joe Walcott, who is manager of the gymnasium and boxing school, is now securing members for the athletic club and expects to have things in shape so the followers of the manly art can give exhibitions during the summer. This will be the only colored club, so far as is known, at this point that will be in a position to handle colored bouts.

JACK DILLON LICKS HEAVYWEIGHT HOPE

Fans Yelp Protest—Wild Scene Follows Referee's Decision of Draw.

KANSAS CITY.—Referee Portous called the Jack Dillon-Jim Flynn ten-round go March 3d, a draw, but the fight bugs of Indianapolis can take it straight that Jack Dillon earned the decision and should have had it, if ever a fighter got away with a victory without knocking his opponent out. Three times in the second round did Dillon, fighting tigerishly and viciously send the heavyweight to the mat for the count of nine, and not one round in the fight could Flynn claim as his own. Yet the referee was a draw. The crowd which vied its disapproval. One fight bug, leaving the hall, said that he had a bet on Flynn that he would have sold it at the start of the sixth round for a dime and did not want to draw his money down. "The other fellow can have it, for he won it," he said.

Crowd for Dillon.

When the tenth round started the crowd—the greatest crowd that ever turned out for a fight in Kansas City—began to yell for Dillon. And the buggs yelled for Dillon until the referee raised both hands in token of a draw. Then it yelled and barked and stormed for Dillon some more. There was much money bet on the fight, with Flynn the favorite.

Flynn was aggressive all the way, fighting his usual fight, boring in, seldom biffing at open range, but preferring the infighting style. Nor did he greatly excel Dillon at this game. The Indianapolis middleweight tore away in the second and swung a terrific right cross to Flynn's bean. The fireman went down for nine. Dillon rushed him into a neutral corner and an uppercut sent Flynn to the floor again. It looked as though the fireman was out, but one of his seconds rushed around and dashed a small bucket of cold water on the fallen Flynn. Dillon kicked at the second, but missed, and Flynn, refreshed by the dash of cold water, rose and took the count of nine from another swing. Again he got up and his wonderful endurance enabled him to cling to Dillon until the round was up.

Fireman Recuperates.

From then on Flynn recuperated wonderfully, but not one round in the ten was his, and the decision goes down at the weirdest thing in the history of Kansas City's prize ring.

The crowd was greater than the club could handle, and at one time the doors were stormed and at least five hundred rushed in and occupied the choicest seats. Many persons holding tickets could not get in, and the club will be called on to refund money today. Five thousand persons jammed the wide street in front of the fight hall, a mammoth garage, converted, and it was nearly 10 o'clock before the crowd finally filled the hall.

WHITE SOX AND GIANTS

End Globe Circling Jaunt 100,000 to Good—Tour Started at Cincinnati October 18—Last and Biggest Game Played in London.

NEW YORK.—The Giants-White Sox touring party, which returned from its trip around the world March 6th, gathered in Cincinnati on Saturday, October 18, where the first game on the long schedule was played against the Cincinnati club. From there the players traveled in a special train by easy stages to the Pacific coast, playing frequent games en route. Doubts regarding the financial success of the trip were early removed by the unexpectedly large attendance, and when the squad sailed from Seattle, on November 19, thirty-two games had been played in thirty-three days.

The party arrived at Yokohoma on December 6, four days late, after a rough voyage. From Japan the itinerary carried the tourists to China the Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, Egypt, continental Europe and England.

During the foreign part of the tour the largest attendance was recorded in Japan, Australia and England. The biggest gate receipts were collected at the game played in London on February 26, when thirty thousand spectators, including King George, witnessed the defeat of the Giants by the White Sox in a sensational eleven-inning game. This game officially closed the tour, the party sailing from Liverpool on February 27.

More than seventy games were played during the trip and the list would have been large but for rain at Paris, Rome and several cities in China and Japan. Notwithstanding these setbacks the financial returns were far in excess of expectations and the profits are estimated at nearly $100,000. Manager McGraw, of the New York Nationals, and Charles Comiskey, president of the Chicago American League Club, who financed the expedition, ceased to worry about the success of the tour several months ago. A generous dividend is assured not only for the promoters, but for the players who entered upon the trip on a sharing basis.

Tentative plans have already been made for foreign tours during the winters of 1914-15 and 1915-16. South America, Africa and part of the territory covered during the present tour will be visited.

Many of the players enrolled in the present party have expressed their willingness to embark under similar conditions for the tours as mapped out.

BILLY McCLURE AN EASY WINNER OVER ED. HARRISON.

Indianapolis Boy Makes Poor Show At West Baden.

Special to The Freeman.

WEST BADEN, Ind.—In the boxing exhibition held here by the West Baden Athletic Club, Billy McClure and Edgar Harrison, of Indianapolis, had a lively little bout which terminated in a disappointment to all the fight fans present, as Harrison only lasted one minute and forty seconds, according to the referee.

M. Hal Beacham, in a letter to this office states: "We heard that Harrison made the assertion that he lost on a foul. If he did say so, nothing could be farther from the truth as he was whipped or quit, one or the other and he admitted that he lost fair here.

Wants One Round Bess or Dixon.

I am negotiating with One Round Bess and young George Dixon in hopes of having them appear before the club March 16th, the winner to fight my boy, Billy McClure, one week later."

DULUTH, MINN.

A social event on Thursday evening was the grand musical and recital given by the Appomattox Social Club, at St. Mark's A. M. E. church, Thursday evening, February 19, at 8:30. About three hundred guests were present. The program was under the direction of Mr. Walter Posey and Mrs. George Adams. The program as follows:

1. Organ—Selection.
2. Soprano solo, "'Way Down on the Sand"—Mrs. Ethel Richardson.
3. Select Reading—Mrs. Samuel McNiel.
4. Piano Selection, "Last Hope"—Miss Anna Colby.
5. Select Reading, "Jim Sella"—Miss Edith Pittman.
6. Tenor Solo, "If I Forget"—Mr. J. A. White.
7. Instrumental, A Pettit Symphony in Three Movements: A, "Allegro"; B, "Minuett"; C, "Con Spirioto"—Williams Family Circle, assisted by Mr. George Moses, cellist.
8. Tenor Solo, "The Holy City"—Rev. Holt.

Mrs. George Adams, of 115 East Fifth street, entertained at a stag party Tuesday evening in honor of her father, J. N. Richey, it being his 68th anniversary. The decorations were of the national colors. Whist was played at five tables and the favors were won by E. B. Speer and W. F. Maupins. He was presented with a lovely smoking jacket by those present, who were as follows: Eugene Watts, D. C. Brown, Harry Johnson, Henry Merry, H. J. Shelton, W. B. Richardson, H. C. Richardson, B. F. Smith, George Glenn, George Kelley, Wm. Dawson, George Steel, Edward Richey, B. V. Hollman, Steve Coles, S. M. McNeil, Lou Bryant, Chas. Colby, W. J. Posey, E. B. Speer, W. F. Maupins.----Mr. John Mobley, of 917 East Sixth street, who was taken to the St. Mary's Hospital last week, is some better and will go home in a few days.

NEWS OF MASON CITY, IOWA.

Anybody wishing the Freeman can secure it by calling on Cecil Brewton, 715 S. adison st., Phone 7533.----Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitchell are the proud parents of a fine 12-lb. baby.----Mrs. Martha Dixon has moved from 421 First st. to 715 S. Willow st.----Mrs. Bernice Davis has returned home after spending a week in the country with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Warren.----Mr. Harry Mitchell accepted the position of assistant porter at the ten cent store.----Miss Mabel Straton, of Manley, Iowa, is visiting Mrs. Mitchell, while Mrs. Mitchell was on the sick list.----Rev. W. H. Wheeler, of Kansas City, Mo., the district superintendent, spent the five last days in the city last week and assisted Rev. Woodford in the revival meetings and also holding the fourth quarterly conference.----Rev. W. J. Deboe, of St. Joe, Mo., was here assisting Rev. Woodford in the revival meetings. Too much cannot be said of Rev. Deboe as a spiritual preacher and evangelist. His work is most wonderful. Sunday afternoon he addressed the Epworth League on divine power.----Mrs. Brewton entertained last Wednesday night for supper Rev. W. H. Wheeler of Kansas City, Rev. W. J. Deboe, Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Penney and Rev. Biggs, of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and Mrs. J. D. Beeler, and a three course lunch was served.----Mr. Paul Scott is reported on the sick list.----The Ladies' Aid Society will give a social at the church Friday evening.

SEEING FORT SMITH ARKANSAW.

The Negroes and Their Wealth Engaged in All Sorts of Business.

(By Ralph W. Tyler.)

FORT SMITH, Ark.—The westerner's idea of distance is far from harmonizing with an easterner's idea of it. If an eastern man should tell you that a certain town was so near he could look over his back fence and see it, you would surmise that certain town was fifteen or twenty miles away, an hour's ride on the trolley line. When a Fort Smithan informed me, prior to leaving for the far southwest, that "Muskogee is just beyond our back fence," I figured I could run over from Muskogee to Fort Smith and back between a late breakfast and an early noonday lunch. When I started to make the trip, however, I discovered the wide variance between "our and their" idea of distances, for it took just four hours to make the trip one way. Fort Smith is a delightfully located town, and for boulevards it comes nearer approaching Kansas City than any other municipality in this country. In Fort Smith, especially among the Negroes, one meets up with the traditional Arkansas hospitality and genuine good cheer. Negroes of the town—rather, I should say, city—for it has all the airs and accomplishments of a city, have heretofore been rather conservative, each working along individual lines, with an absence of that cooperative spirit which made "Made in England" a stenciled sentence on all boxes containing goods manufactured in Britain. A few weeks prior to my coming here, however, the Negroes caught the spirit of organization and co-operation which is sweeping over the country and formed a Local Negro Business League, electing that highly energetic and excellent physician, Dr. S. W. Harrison president, and enrolling thirty of the most progressive of the race as members at the start. In the light of what progress the race has made in this city without any business organization, one cannot help but marvel at what the progress might have been had there been a live, forcible business league her all the while. There are eight thousand citizens here who are collated as Negroes, and these eight thousand own $200,000 worth of realty within the corporate limits of the city. At present there are nine Negro merchants here whose capital invested in their business aggregates $20,000. Including their realty holdings, money invested in business, and other personal possessions, the per capita wealth of the Negroes of this city will reach $45.60. This is not as high as noted in some other cities, perhaps, but it is most encouraging and the per capita wealth of the whites here will not exceed it. The business in which members of the race here are represented are: groceries, furniture, real estate, undertaking, cafes, shoe repairing, barber shops, wood and coal yards. There are two Negro school buildings in this city in which sixteen colored teachers are employed, and ten colored churches, four of the Methodist denomination and six of the Baptist. Fort Smith has three colored physicians and one or two dentists, and these professional men in every way are the equal of their white brothers practicing the same professions. The four grocery stores, operated by Messrs. C. A. Conwell, W. B. Harrington, E. E. Trent and Harold Moore, if the eight thousand Negroes here will transfer their patronage to them in bulk, as they should, have a bright future, and they are well conducted so as to invite this patronage. Geo. H. Miller is the furniture man, and Messrs. Tillman and Williams are the men who conduct the coal yards, and Dr. Francis Miller is the dentist who enjoys the confidence of the race here. I found something here that was surprising, agreeably surprising, which only tends to prove that the business success of the race has been, is, and will be accelerated by our colored women. One of the most prominent, aggressively progressive, and public spirited personages in the city is a woman—Mrs. M. Josenberger. She is one of the most capable and efficient business propositions I have ever met, and she takes a very active interest in every movement looking to race elevation. And especially is she active in promoting a real verile business league. Mrs. Josenberger is perhaps the weålthiest, as well as most successful colored person in this city, but modest and unostentatious with it all. Fort Smith offers excellent opportunities to the race, and under the inspiration of the newly organized Local Business League the colored people here will doubtless register, this year, a much higher water mark of business success than in any previous year. Colored people here occupy some splendid homes, and the desire to possess a home appears to have seized even the humblest with the result that it is becoming almost a reflection for one not to own his or her home here. This, too, is a very encouraging sign, and proves that Fort Smith, like every other community I have visited, has taken to the teachings of Dr. Washington—accepted his advice to possess something. While here I met Prof. E. O. Trent, a former schoolmate of mine in Columbus, Ohio. Prof. Trent has been a resident of this city for the past twenty-two or three years and if the handsome residence in which he lives, and the block of houses down on the tax duplicate as his, may be accepted as a criterion, his leaving Ohio to become an adopted son of Arkansas was not without its compensation. With such progressive race men as Doctors Harrison, Moore, Williams and Miller, and such enterprising business men as Messrs. George Miller, Chavous, Conwell, Harrington Winston, Tillman, Trent, Hoyls Black and others co-operating to minimize the individual efforts made at the expense of co-operative efforts, the future of the race in this city is indeed exceedingly promising. With its eight thousand Negro population, Fort Smith has neither a drug store owned and conducted by one of the race, or a Negro lawyer, and it would appear that one of each, at least, would prosper here. The colored population is so congested in at least one section of the city as to make this a fine opening for a colored drug store, and the amount of legal work eight thousand people could supply, it seems, would make this city an admirable place for some bright, hustling colored attorney to locate. Fort Smith is large enough to supply city advantages and small enough to make co-operation no difficult matter.

TULSA, OKLA.

Special to The Freeman.

The New Gem Theater opened Monday night with May Wilson and Nichols & Burnett, Carter & Williams, proprietors; Jas. Brown, manager.----Mrs. Dr. James, of Parkersburg, W. Va., arrived in Tulsa last Wednesday to join her husband and to make this their home.----The Business Men's League met in Tulsa Thursday, with business men from all over the state, using the Gem Theater for their headquarters.----Dad Akins, who has lived in Tulsa for over ten years, was found dead in his home last Sunday.----J. H. Roberts, of Okmulgee, Okla., has moved to Tulsa, in office with Freeman L. Martin, now Martin & Robert.----C. Dearman, the Hottentot man, has bought a lot on East Archer and is going to build at once.----The Medical Association met here Wednesday, with Dr. Isaac W. Young, of Boley, as president.----Mrs. Smith, proprietor of the Melrose Hotel at Oklahoma City, was in Tulsa a few days this week on business.----G. W. P. Brown, of Brown & Stewart, at Muskogee, was in Tulsa this week on business.

BONHAM, TEXAS.

(By Bishop Dale, 618 E. 5th St.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Arthur Steward and little daughter, Carol Julia, have returned home after spending several weeks visiting relatives and friends in Ft. Worth.----The National Cadet band played at the First Baptist church Thursday night, Feb. 26th for a concert given by Prof. E. J. Inge.----Rev. Butler, of Ennis, spent several days in the city.----Mrs. Emma Edwards is noted among the sick.----Rev. Gilmore, a missionary preacher, preached at Second Baptist church, Feb. 22d. His text was "It is Finished." Rev. Gilmore is one of the best educated and refined men of his race.----Mr. and Mrs. Siam Anderson are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.----Fisher Co. No. 2 U. R. K. of P. was in Denison, Tex., Feb. 23d, for their grand installation. They were escorted to Brooks-Torre Hall by Evergreen Co. No. 14 U. R. K. of P. of Denison and Brig. Gen. Jno. L. Jones, of Dallas, Texas, where they were royally entertained. Denison has one of the best towns in Texas for good times. Capt. J. H. Greggs, we hope to meet you soon; if not, we will sure meet you in Galveston in June. In regard to Brig. Gen. Jno. L. Jones we ought to be proud of a man of his type. He makes friends wherever he goes. Henry Christian, captain of Fisher Co. is noted among the leaders in U. R. work. As the agent passes about the city he can see the ball players oiling up their old gloves and shoes preparing to get on the war path for the coming season. The Bonham Tigers baseball team is expected to open up with some team on their home grounds Easter Sunday.----Messrs. Ed Dodd, Robert Perry, Ike Stull and John Yarbrough spent several days at home, thence returning to Terrell, Texas, where they are working.----Quite a number of people accompanied the U. R. K. of P. to Denison.----Miss Lizzie Reynolds entertained the Independent Symphi Fe-Dillion Club on the 26th ult. After the regular order of business the members were served with a three course luncheon. Their next meeting will be with Miss Roberta McKee.----The Sunny Dixie Minstrel is billed for this place Saturday, March 7.----The Freeman paper will be found every Saturday at Louis Bennett's barber shop, on South Center st.

NEWS OF PRINCETON, IND.

(James Irving, 214 N. Main St.)

Special to The Freeman.

The M. E. church Aid Society met last Tuesday night entertained by Rev. Allen.----The missionary meeting was held Friday night.----The rally will continue for the next two Sundays at the M. E. church.----Rev. C. A. Holt, D.D., of Mt. Vernon, Ill., arrived in the city Monday and is assisting Rev. W. E. Clark in revival services at the Olive Branch Baptist church.----The funeral of Mrs. Katie Roberts McFade was largely attended last Monday afternoon at the Baptist church conducted by Rev. W. E. Clark.----Mrs. Tillie Orendorf and Mr. Lewis Gaines, of Evansville, Ind., Mrs. Alice White and Miss Edna Roberts, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Hopkins, of Terre Haute, were called to the city by the death of Mrs. Katie McFade.----Twentieth Century news up to the minute. If you wish to be popular take the Freeman from James Irving.

TAMPA, FLA., NEWS.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Emma Colyer, president of the State Federation of Colored Women's Club, paid Tampa Clubs a visit last week end. On Friday night she addressed the clubs in the interest of the coming convention to be held here in May. Facts were brought out that the Clubs have been doing quite a bit of charitable work, and are now taking care of a partially blind woman and three little children.----The celebration of Peter Ogden Day was very fittingly carried out by the various lodges of G. U. O. of O. F. of this city on March 1st. Mr. A. J. Ferrell was the speaker of the day. Miss Hattie Smith also made a very interesting address.----Mrs. Lucinda Johnson, wife of Mr. Willis Johnson, died on Feb. 26th, after a lingering illness, which has covered several months.----Mrs. Daisy Johnson is on the sick list.----The Twenty Sons of Progress, an investing organization, is growing in strength, and they hope to soon launch something that will be a credit to the Negros in Tampa.----Mrs. Laura Hutchinson has been quite ill for the last few weeks. Her sister, Mrs. Scoffield, has been at her bedside.----Mr. T. L. Courtney, of Tallahassee, spent a few days in the city this week.----Rev. C. A. Williams was returned to St. Paul A. M. E. church. This church is endeavoring to erect a $30,000 edifice.----Rev. Chas. Long was appointed to take charge of a church in Daytona Fla.----The Civic League is still working to eliminate the houses of ill-fame from the Negro section of Tampa.----The Woman's Improvement Circle has established an Art School.----One by one the Negro establishments are missing from Central ave. to be supplanted by Greeks and Jews. Our people should patronize their own establishments, but our Negroes in business must also make their places light and cheery as well as to compete with the popular prices.----The Harriett Tubman Club has launched a civic movement whereby the Negro woman is to be taught how to keep her yard in first class condition.----Mr. R. L. Williams is proprietor of the only dry goods and notion store in Tampa owned by a Negro. Many people would be surprised to know that he carries several thousands of dollars of stock, in his little place. Mr. Williams is a young man of good moral character and pleasant to deal with.----Get the Freeman each week from Miss Margaret Howard.

STREATOR, ILL.

Miss Bekis Solman, of Pontiac, spent Sunday in Streator.----Mr. Charles Miller, of Springvalle and Mrs. Pallord of the same place.----If you want the Freeman call at J. H. Simmons barber shop. He has got them.----The Harmony Household of Ruth and Nursing Mothers No. 8339 turned out to the funeral of Sarra Jane Williams, Sunday, at Second Baptist church. The floral offerings were grand. Rev. A. Madison, of Kewanee, Ill., officiated. The choir rendered splendid services. Solo, "Face to Face," by Mrs. Bettie Evans. Mr. W. J. Peterford, of Kalamazoo, Mich., attended his sister's funeral.

McALESTER, OKLA.

Special to The Freeman.

McAlester boys are planning to have one of the fastest baseball teams in this part of Oklahoma. It is to be managed by Mr. W. M. Johnson.----Mr. J. C. Evans, lawyer, of Watonga, is in the city on business.----Rev. Ross has returned from a tour of N. W. Oklahoma.----The popular contest will close very soon.----Mr. W. M. Nash, of Weleka, Okla., is here representing the African Pioneer.----Mr. Albert Thomas, of Carbon, Okla., is at the All Saints' Hospital undergoing a surgical operation.----Mr. James Hendricks is having a fine dwelling house built on W. Delaware ave.

BRUNSWICK, GA., NEWS.

Mr. Matthew Stuart and Miss Laura du Bignon united Friday night and are now residing at the old homestead, Cochran ave.; also Mr. Dock Meyers married Miss Alice Dennison last week and they are all smiles. Both of the young men are some of Brunswick's best tailors.----Mr. Robert Sawyer, an old veteran of the stage, send regards to all his friends. He is now running the Congress Hall saloon, at 206 Monk st. and will be glad to hear from his old friends. Better known as Collins & Sawyer.----Mr. and Mrs. Mose Molette are tickled to death over the daughter the stork send them some weeks ago.----Capt. E. J. Kemble, of the Brunswick Uniform Rank K. of P., is still getting his boys in shape for the Grand Lodge K. of P. which will be held in Valdosta, Ga., in May, hoping that he will bring the prize to Brunswick.----Mr. Jim Pitts, D. G. M. of the United Odd Fellows, is still ill at his home. Wishing him a speedy recovery.

FLORENCE, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. B. Foster has opened a skating rink for the young colored people of Florence on Alabama st. The young ladies of the city are invited every afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Mrs. Foster has also a hairdressing parlor and manicure. She is deserving the patronage of colored race.-------Edw. Brewer, student of Burrell Normal School. See him for the Freeman. The Freeman, the leading Negro paper.

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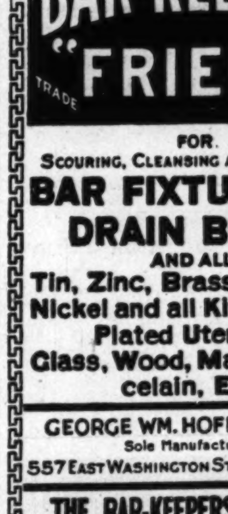

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CITY AND VICINITY.

George Wilson, of 212 West North street, (rear) is ill.

Miss Annie Miller, of West Twenty-fifth street, is very ill.

Mr. John Mukes has gone to Kentucky to visit his folks on a short vacation.

Mr. Roger Coleman, 45 years old, died at his late residence, 235 Smith street.

The Needle Craft Club will hold its next meeting with Miss Emma Hicks, 1439 Lexington avenue.

Mr. E. H. Burr, of Chicago, was in the city last week en route to Louisville, Ky., to visit his brother.

The Junior Society of Bethel church met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Allie Cheatham, 415 Toledo street.

The Elizabeth Carter Council will meet this week with Mrs. Katherine Samuels, in West Fifteenth street.

The Woman's Club was entertained Monday afternoon by Mrs Bennett, at her home in West Thirteenth street.

Daniel B. Butler, an old soldier, died at his daughter's residence, 561 West Twentieth street, of dropsy, last Saturday.

Mrs. Louise West entertained Bethel Alliance Friday, March 13, at the home of Mrs. Margaret Rape, 525 North West street.

The Research Club met March 12 with Mrs. Addie Jones. Mrs. Melvina Manning will read a paper on "The Modern Age."

Miss Carrie Gilmont, of 516 Talbott street, gave a party in honor of her friend, Miss Jennette Smith, of Cincinnati, O., Monday night.

A St. Patrick's promenade will be given at K. of P. hall March 17, under the auspices of the board of directors of the Charity Hospital.

Dr. Amelia Kellar addressed the mothers of the departmental grades of school No. 26 Thursday evening on the subject, "Sex Hygiene."

The new song of Ruth Gutherie and Nobles Sissle, entitled, "Long Lost Love," is creating quite a hit here. It will be out in a few weeks.

The Rev. S. S. Scisson, of Danville, Ill., will conduct revival services at Mt. Zion Baptist church beginning Sunday. The church has just closed a week of prayer.

Mr. Tim E. Ousley spent a few days last week in Chicago on business. Mr. Ousley is the shrewd little manager of Indianapolis' most popular Negro play house.

The Interdenominational Ministers' Association met Thursday morning at the Y. M. C. A. building. Dr. D. P. Roberts read a paper on "Presenting the Gospel."

The Ethical Culture Society of the Witherspoon church will give its annual banquet at the cafe of the Y. M. C. A. on the 20th of March. Plates will be set for seventy-five.

Andrew Sissle, who was recently elected secretary of the Sunday school of Simpson chapel, is one of the youngest Sunday school officers in the city. He is well known as a singer.

The Friends Club will hold its next meeting with Mrs. Will Brown, 308 W. Pratt street. The subject for discussion will be "Responsibility for the Present Condition of the Negro."

Miss Lama Mason entertained at a reception this afternoon in honor of Mrs. Harry Jones and Mrs. Kirk, of Cincinnati, at the home of Mrs. Jones in East Sixteenth street. Mrs. Jones will go to California soon.

Elliot Blaine Henderson, the young poet from Springfield, Ohio, is in the city, visiting Dr. John Norrell. He is giving quite a few readings while here and is selling quite a few of his books of poetry in Negro dielect.

The Boys' Club of North Indianapolis gave a musicale at Allen chapel Friday evening. The special numbers given by the musical trio featured the entertainment. Mrs. W. E. Grubbs was heard in several numbers.

"The Flower Garden" will be presented by the twenty girls who are members of an aid to the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, at K. of P. hall, Thursday evening, April 2.

There will be a testimonial song and praise service in honor of Dr. Henry Foreman, the pastor of Simpson M. E. church, who leaves the following week for conference, which convenes in Kentucky next Sunday evening.

The Boys' Club of school No. 24 met Thursday and elected the following officers for the term of three months: President, Harry Campbell; vice-president, Ernest Perry; secretary, Chester Vignand; treasurer, Norman Webster.

Mr. Cecil Powell has spent the week-end visiting his mother and family at Frankfort, Ind. Mr. Powell is a graduate of the Purdue University's school of pharmacy and he is a chemist in the laboratory of Dr. E. N. Perkins' soap and salve establishment.

The many friends of Mrs. Leila B. Ballard, of Wanamaker, Ind., will be glad to know that she reports the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Susie Mae Hurdle, of Ashland, Kans., improving, and she hopes to return shortly, accompanied with her to her suburban home.

Mr. Charlie Akers and Mr. Edward Clemmens, both of Chicago, Ill., spent Sunday as guests of Mr. Elwood Knox.

Much interest is being shown over the closing games of the indoor baseball contest being held at the "Y." The large attendance of the fairer sex ads a magnetic tone to the affairs.

The Young Men of Steel, a Bible class of Ebeneezer Baptist church, gave a church gathering last Wednesday night, March 4, in which we invited all members and friends of the church to be present. We, the Young Men of Steel, served absolutely free oyster stew and also rendered a very inviting program. We announced an entertainment we are going to give March 18. The officers are: Geo. Gore, director; Jas. H. Grubs. president; Irv. A. Cornett, secretary; Edw. Hansford, reporter.

Simpson M. E. church, corner Eleventh and Missouri streets: Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; subject, "Christ and Jerusalem." Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; subject, "A Social Survey and Its Results." At 7:30 p. m. there will be held a unique service, when we will finish up our year's work. We hope every member will be present Sunday, as I wish to see every member that has joined the church in these two years. A real treat is in store. Come and hear for yourself. H. A. Foreman, pastor.

The Nurses' Club will meet Monday evening, March 16th, with Miss Katie Goldbeck, at 1034 North West street. All members requested to be present. Mrs. Laura Brooks, president; Miss Katie Goldbeck, secretary.

"My loss is God's gain;
Begin the day with God.
He is your protector and support,
On Him don't fail to call."
Take your first meal with God,
He is your food divine.
Feast with Him; he will with thee,
And on His word rely.
Let your first transaction be with God,
the God above;
Then you will surely prosper well, and
the day will end in love.

In memory of George Ballard, who departed this life on March 6th, one year ago, at 3 p. m. From his mother.
ROSA BALLARD.

"Diamonds and Hearts" will be presented at the A. M. E. church Wednesday evening, March 18, 1914. Six young women of Junior Philathea class have been selected to act as ushers, under the auspices of stewardess board. Directress, Miss Allie Moore; characters as follows:

Bernie Halstead, A lover of fun and a hatred of arithmetic—Miss Allie Moore.
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Inez Gray, a young lady visitor—Miss Herriet Harris.
Mrs. Halstead, a widow, and step-mother to the Halstead girls—Miss Zelma Beck.
Hannah Mary Barnes, or "Sis," a maiden lady who keeps house for her brother—Miss Iva McAllister.
Dwight Bradley, fortune hunter, and Mrs. Halstead's son by former marriage—Mr. Harold Gray.
Dr. Burton, a young physician—Mr. Z. L. Breedlove.
Sammy, the darkey bell-boy in the Halstead House—Mr. Fred Lewis.
Abraham Barnes, or "Bub," a yankee farmer still unmarried at 40, a diamond in the rough—Mr. Thomas Jackson.
Attorney—Mr. Roscoe Brewer.
Sheriff—Mr. Raymond Hines.

COTTAGE PRAYER MEETINGS

726 Drake Street.

Cottage prayer meetings are being well attended at 726 Drake street every Friday night. These meetings are to study the most important subjects of the Bible prayerfully, and for the benefit of lost souls. Subject for Friday night will be "Redemption for the Body," Rom. 8-23. All are welcome. Rev. Nellie G. Dale and Henrietta Polk, leaders.

SPORTSMEN TAKE NOTICE.

To meet the spring and summer sports the sportsmen stores are now prepared to extend their welcome. But none of them have it on the George C. Deitch Wheel Company, recently moved the quarters of the store to 237-39 Massachusetts avenue, where he has a more spacious location for his salesroom. A new line of baseball goods athletic goods, fishing tackle, guns bicycles, motorcycles, and sundries are now on exhibition and company invites the sporting public to pay the store a visit, if not to buy, to see what they have.

A. H. GODARD, GENERAL SECRETARY INDIANAPOLIS Y. M. C. A.'S

Will Address Monster Meeting Next Sunday—Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Last Sunday, an "echo" meeting of the evangalistic campaign was held and a few were out to express their views and impressions of the campaign.

Mr. John McLinn Ross, a former student of Yale entertained the boys with stories of the undergraduate life and of the boys' clubs conducted by students at Yale. Master Andrew Sissle sang a solo.

Sunday, March 15, Mr. A. H. Godard, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Indianapolis, will be the speaker at the monster meeting. This will be the last of the season and the management has reserved as all who have heard Mr. Godard will agree, the best for the last. Mr. Godard's forceful, virile and inimitable manner of presentation makes a special appeal to men. Special seats will be reserved for the ministers of the city, many of whom have already signified their intentions of coming. An exceedingly strong musical program has been arranged. Mr. Noble Sissle will sing, the band and the orchestra will play and the quartette and male chorus will render numbers. Doors open at 3 p. m. Better come early if you want a seat.

Sunday the boys will have the pleasure of listening to Rev. Father A. H. Maloney, who will tell them about the "Naval Academy." Miss Cora Jackson will render an instrumental solo.

The bible classes show a gratifying increased enrollment.

Mr. R. L. Stevenson, instructor in the night schools, was called home Saturday, owing to the serious illness of his wife in Mason City, Ill.

Mr. C. T. Pointer, of Chicago, who is now a member of our dormitory family and who has been installing the elevators in the Claypool hotel annex, leaves next week for home.

The business men and the seniors tied for first place in the indoor baseball league and a series of three games to decide the supremacy and for the honor of winning the Chas. C. Carr trophy cup will be played beginning Wednesday, March 19th and on the following Wednesday nights. The teams finished as follows:

	Won.	Lost.	Percentage.
Business men	5	1	.830
Seniors	5	1	.830
Janitors	4	2	.670
Dormitory	2	4	.330
Band	1	5	.170
Chauffeurs	1	5	.170

The Blues and Blacks are tied first place in the Basket Ball League. The spectacular goal shooting of Capt. Willis, of the Blues, was the feature of last Saturday night's games.

	Won.	Lost.	Percentage.
Blues	2	1	.666
Blacks	2	1	.666
Grays	1	2	.333
Reds	1	2	.333

The prospects for the accomplishing of the goal of 100 new members to be added to the boys' department in the campaign now in progress are very bright. Two hundred and fifty boys from schools Nos. 17 and 24 were visitors at the association Tuesday and were privileged to watch the Junior "gym" class in action and to indulge in a swim. Representatives from all the schools of the city will visit the building and enjoy the same privileges some day during the week.

NEWS OF McALESTER, OKLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Unusually large crowds worshipped at all of the churches in the city Sunday. The Mt. Triumph Baptist church celebrated the first anniversary of its pastor, Rev. P. R. Neil, D. D. The church was elaborately decorated and the pastor was greeted at each service by a large crowd. Rev. W. W. Chancellor, pastor of the First Baptist church (white), preached the anniversary sermon. Rev. P. R. Neil preached at 11 o'clock, using for his theme "A Wide-open Door in Oklahoma." The collection for the day was $102. Among the lady contestants, Mrs. Sallie Brown carried away all of the honors and was awarded a handsome watch. Rev. W. L. Brewer, B. D., is on the sick list.----Mr. J. Trice, of Eufaula, is now employed at Mr. John Horn's barbershop as barber. Mr. Horn has moved his shop from Chocktaw avenue to First street. It is one of the most modern shops in the city.----Mrs. Victoria Lacour, who has been visiting Mrs. E. Johnson, returned to her home in Terrell, Tex.----Born to Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Moran, a fine baby boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rothrick, a fine baby boy

CONTRIBUTES TO THE DOUGLASS HOME REDEMPTION FUND.

Little Rock Ark.

Mr. George L. Knox, Dear Sir—Here is 15c on the Fred Douglass Home. Grace Woods, 1813 Ringo st., Little Rock, Ark.

The contribution is appreciated. Small as it is, it is yet big when one thinks of our millions who are just as much obligated as Grace Woods. The subscription should be popular. Pennies, nickels and dimes will do it. And of course, larger amounts if the donors care to send larger amounts.—Editor of The Freeman.

MEN WHO HAVE ANNOUNCED THEIR CANDIDACY FOR NOMINATION, SUBJECT TO THE DECISION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY—SEVERAL SEEK RENOMINATION.

ORBISON FOR RENOMINATION.

Charles Orbison, candidate for judge of Superior Court, room No. 1, is out for renomination. Judge Orbison is about the youngest judge on the bench of any of the higher courts of the state, but so profound, logical and fair in his decisions clients delight in presenting their cases before him. For four consecutive years he participated on the Colored Men's Branch of the Y. M. C. A. of this city "Monster Meeting" program. Judge Orbison is an eloquent speaker and the mere announcement of him speaking before the colored people is an assurance of big crowd. The judge loses sight of politics, creed and nationality when cases are tried before him and it is expected that he will get many votes for the colored voters in the coming primary and election.

THEODORE PORTTEUS, SHERIFF OF MARION COUNTY,

has decided to become a candidate for the renomination for Sheriff after hundreds of Democrats had offered and pledged him their support and hundreds of Republicans assuring him they would vote for him on election day.

In regard to his record Mr. Portteus has the following to say:

"Fellow Democrats—I wish to thank you for your valuable assistance you rendered me in my election to the office I now hold and hope that I have administered the Office in such a way as to merit your approval and your support in a renomination. Also inasmuch as the Sheriff is elected for only two years while the Clerk, Recorder, Auditor and County Assessor and all the Judges are elected for four years. In asking for your support for a renomination I wish to present for your further consideration a few facts pertaining to the office I now hold:

"While my first year in office shows that the work has very materially increased, the net operating expenses of the office do not exceed the average expenses for the past four years.

"My one aim officially was to do my full duty in an earnest, honest and conscientious way. I invite your

THEODORE PORTTEUS.

personal inspection and criticism of the quantity and quality of food given the prisoners, the cleanliness of the jail, and the manner of conducting the office in general.

"I will continue to make my headquarters at the Court House office supervising the work. I might add that I am the first Sheriff in the history of the county who has done this. All former sheriffs have made the jail their headquarters, leaving to a deputy the more important work at the court house office."

In soliciting the voting public's support, he says:

"If the sheriff's office as now administered suits you then I can reasonably expect and ask for your support. May I count upon your help?"

Mr. Portteus further says:

"I trust that I may have the pleasure of meeting my friends personally in the near future, and I thank them in advance for their assistance."

CIVIL WAR VETERAN ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY.

Judge Taylor, of the Juvenile Court, has made the announcement that he will be a candidate in the coming Democratic primaries for the nomination as Juvenile Judge.

Judge Newton M. Taylor was born in Attica, Fountain county, Indiana, in 1847. He attended the schools and high school of his native town and then went to Greencastle and entered Asbury Uuniversity (now DePauw), where he was graduated in 1873. In June, 1875 he graduated in the law department of the State University at Bloomington, and at once entered upon the practice of law, which he continued until he was appointed judge of the juvenile court three years ago.

While he was attending college he taught in country schools for several terms, as he was obliged to make his own way.

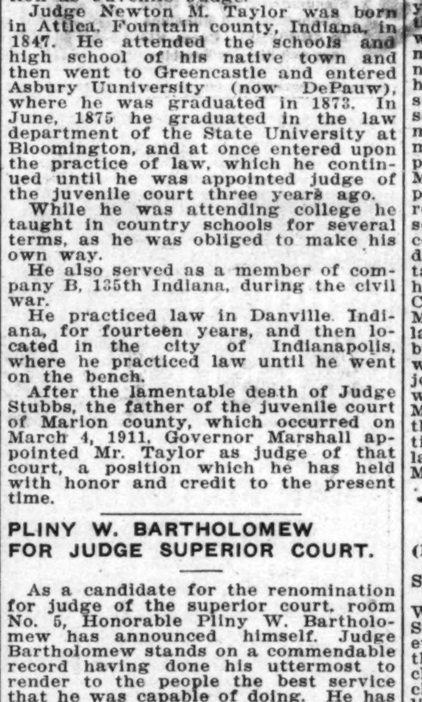
He also served as a member of company B, 135th Indiana, during the civil war.

He practiced law in Danville, Indiana, for fourteen years, and then located in the city of Indianapolis, where he practiced law until he went on the bench.

After the lamentable death of Judge Stubbs, the father of the juvenile court of Marion county, which occurred on March 4, 1911, Governor Marshall appointed Mr. Taylor as judge of that court, a position which he has held with honor and credit to the present time.

PLINY W. BARTHOLOMEW FOR JUDGE SUPERIOR COURT.

As a candidate for the renomination for judge of the superior court, room No. 5, Honorable Pliny W. Bartholomew has announced himself. Judge Bartholomew stands on a commendable record having done his uttermost to render to the people the best service that he was capable of doing. He has succeeded in making a record that



JUDGE P. W. BARTHOLOMEW.

will stand for some time. When he entered upon the duties of judge of the superior court, room No. 5, the business of the same was nearly two years behind. But now the dockets show that he has brought the business up to date.

The judge, when interviewed, had in part the following to say: "I have decided to come out again for the renomination for judge of the superior court. I have served the public to the best of my ability just as I promised it when I took the bench at the beginning of the term, which is now nearing a close. My record speaks in loud terms as to what I have done. The business of this court, when I took the bench, was about two years behind, but now I am proud to say that I am pushing them for trials. If I am renominated and elected I will continue to serve those who put the trust of office into my hands. I speak of the taxpayers as well as I know how. I shall continue to issue justice to all who might come before me.

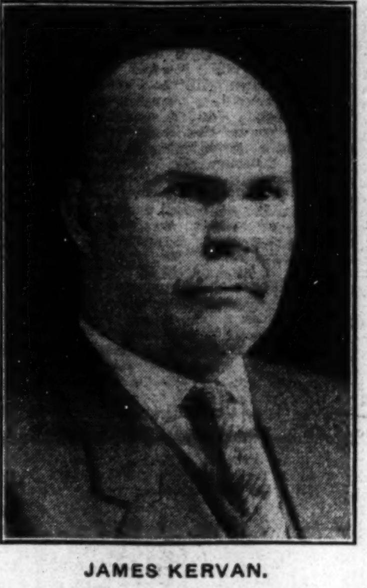
Judge Bartholomew is looked upon as a man of the most profound judgment.

MAGUIRE FOR COMMISSIONER.

Charles Maguire announces himself a candidate for commissioner of the second district. Mr. Maguire is a well known and highly respected citizen and has been a resident of this city for many years.

JAMES KERVAN.

The likeness of James Kervan is to be found here. Mr. Kervan has an-



JAMES KERVAN.

nounced his candidacy for the office of treasurer of Marion county.

PAUL RUSSE FOR COUNTY RECORDER.

Probably no other candidate who will be voted for at the primary is better known to the colored population of the west side than Paul Russe. Having lived in North California street since his boyhood, "Russee," as he is called, expects his colored friends of his youth and of today to stick by him. If nominated and elected Russe says that he will exert all effort to make a splendid record as county recorder. He hopes to reflect credit on his friends, if nominated and elected, by putting him into this office.

NEWS OF FULTON, KY.

(By J. L. Northington, 306 Holder St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Susie Atkins is on the sick list this week----Mrs. Mira Newbern is now convalescing from an illness of about two weeks----Mrs. Buelah Ricks is very ill at this writing----Mrs. Susie Forest returned to her home in Columbus, Ky., Monday, after a visit of several days to Mrs. Moriah Sisson of this city----The writer made a short visit to Clinton, Ky., Sunday----Misses Mamie Hamilton and Ruby Morgan spent Sunday in Martin, Tenn. They report a pleasant trip----Miss Tina Molt is ill at this writing----Dr. S. J. Sisson is improving from a stroke of paralysis----Mrs. Lydia Waterfield entertained a few friends Sunday at her home in South Fulton in honor of her birthday; her hospitality was much enjoyed by those that attended----The Willing Workers Club of the C. M. E. church were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Samantha Dennings Monday afternoon at the parsonage----Mr. William Alexander is very ill at this writing----Mrs. Elmyra Barnes is doing a nice business in her new establishment of hair dressing and rendering satisfaction in a high degree----The Silver Leaf Club of Antioch Baptist church was delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Susa Patten in South Fulton Monday afternoon. Nineteen members responded to the roll call and after different phases of church work were discussed, the following greetings from the church clerk, M. Patten, were read: "I feel grateful to the club and its members who show their high mark of respect in making the work meet with success. You have illumined and facilated my many duties toward the club, my shortgivings you have overlooked and my weakness you have strengthened with your willing hands. You have really touched my heart and inspired it with love and gratitude for you all. The atmosphere has been tainted with untrue sayings everywhere by some one to tear up your minds but I thank God that you have not yet fallen by the wayside and I hope you will not. As we all see the situation and we all know the burden seems heavy but press on and as you go may the Lord guide and keep you is my prayer."----Mrs. Leeler Marm reports a good school at Troy, Tenn.----Mr. T. O. Smothers of Mayfield, Ky., passed through our city Sunday en route to Nashville, Tenn., to attend school. Mr. Smothers is one of Graves county's progressive rural teachers and during his vacation is taking advantage of this opportunity to better equip himself for service----Miss Heoma Cross is yet ill with rheumatism----Mrs. Nannie Johnson was slightly ill last week----The entertainment given by the South Fulton graded school last week at the building was much enjoyed by those attending. A neat sum was realized to pay on their piano----Mrs. Mamie Heggs is slightly ill at this writing----Mrs. Ella Shaw of Martin, Tenn., spent a few days in our city last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Mamie Heggs.

NEWS OF CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove, Phone, Bell 1659.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Bethel Church—"An Aid to Service With Christ" was the theme of the Sunday morning sermon, while the evening sermon was on "Jesus Seeking the Friendship of Man." The Baraca class will open a reading room in the church, Mrs. Green is librarian. The library has been well equipped. Salem Baptist—"The Atonement of Christ" was the theme at the morning service, while that of the evening was "The Sweetness of God's Word." Deacons are planning a church supper to be given March 31----Miss Gladys Page, who is teaching school in Southern Illinois, visited in the city a few days ago, coming here to attend the Monarch dance----The March Crisis on sale at 32 North Hickory street----Mr. George Tate and Mr. Percy Hawkins were called to Huntington, Tenn., to the bedside of Mr. Hawkins' mother and Mr. Tate's sister, who is not expected to live----Insure yourself against sickness and accident. The Home Protective Association, office 32 North Hickory street----Mrs. Harvey Everhart and Misses Vivian Green are visiting in Carbondale----Mrs. L. A. Riley, Mrs. D. C. Patton, Mrs. S. Pierce, Mrs. Clara Hines and Mrs. M. N. Mickens attended the funeral of Mrs. Fanny Jones, who died at her home at Homer, Ill., last week----Mr. Arthur Long, assistant principal of school No. 26, in Indianapolis, stopped off in Champaign on his way back to Indianapolis after he and his wife attended the funeral of Miss Mamie Long's mother, who died at her home in Homer, Ill----The Freeman is on sale at 32 North Hickory street----Mr. W. J. Prince, of the University of Illinois, returned home Sunday evening from Iowa City, Iowa, where he helped to set up a colored Greek letter society Saturday, March 8th, to be known as the Kappa Alpha Nu----Mr. Bruce Hayden, of Tuscola, Ill., visited in the city Saturday.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Charles Lincoln, of Mt. Pleasant, is on the sick list----Mrs. Gus. Wolridge, of West Fed street, and Mr. Wm. Saunders, of Edward street, are improving----Gold Leaf Co., D. U. R. K. of P., will meet Wednesday in regular session----Mrs. William Brown, of Forter street, spent two weeks in Erie, Pa., with friends and relatives----The entertainment given by the ladies home and foreign missions of the Third Baptist church was a grand success----Mrs. Gus Wolridge, of 520 West Fed street, would like to hear from Mose Hampton. He was in Providence, R. I., and formerly of Flunana county, Va.----All members of Buckeye Lodge No. 73, of Elks are requested to meet at the hall Monday, March 15th at 2 p. m. Business of importance. Charles Stery, secretary----The funeral of Mrs. Lillia, who died Friday, was held from the Oak Hill avenue A. M. E. church Monday at 2 p. m. She leaves a husband, son, mother and two brothers.----Mrs. Queen V. Robison, of Glenwood avenue, entertained the Chrysanthemum Club at her home Monday evening----Thomas W. Fale died March 4 of complication of diseases and was buried from the chapel of H. G. Emerson, funeral director, No. 10 Dicker street, Saturday at 10 a. m. Mr. Fale left a wife and son, Charles----Miss Ada McGruder attended the wedding of Miss Florence Alexander, daughter of Mrs. Anna Frey, and Mr. Oscar Winters, son of Mrs. Martha Winters, of Wheeling The wedding took place in Akron, at the home of the bride's parents, Saturday----Mrs. James Health, Caldwell street, visited relatives in Akron this week----Rev. W. O. Harper is in chicago on a visit----Mrs. James Fagans, of Earl avenue, who has been ill, is improving----Mrs. Estella Brown Murphy, of New Castle, Pa., was the guest of Mrs. Eckels, Chicago avenue, this week.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

(By Benita L. Morrow, 411 Olive St.)

Mr. Russell Morton left last week for St. Louis----Messrs. Henry Mitchell, John Mitchell and Elzie Mems left last week for French Lick, Ind----Misses Edwinia Shelton and Mollie Lewis have returned home from Indianapolis----Mrs. Dr. Brimby returned home from Chicago, where she visited her mother----Miss Lefronia Gaines was guest of Mrs. Matthews Sunday evening----Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, son William and Miss Irma Anderson were guests of Mrs. Laura Moss for dinner, Sunday----Sunday was go to church day all over the city. Everybody was urged to go to church. Special sermons were preached at some of the churches. It was communion Sunday, also at Liberty Baptist church.---- The Missionary faculty of McFarland Chapel held Guest day last Wednesday. ---- On the fourth Sunday there will be a rally at Liberty Baptist church----Mrs. Mary McKee, Mrs. Lizzie Woods and Miss Benita Monow were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maud Barnett Saturday evening----Miss Irene Hopkins is able to be up from a short illness----The Missionary Society of Liberty Baptist church met last week at the home of Mrs. Noel----Mrs. Nannie Mens, of Live st., is ill----Miss Marie Stubbins is improving----Mrs. Sallie Porter is able to sit up----Misses Irma Anderson and Benita Morrow were guests of Mr. H. D. Smith Sunday evening----Miss Iola Larkins returned home last week from Buffalo, N. Y----Mr. Lewis Cook is very much better.

DEATH OF PHILIP E. OVER.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(Special)—Philip E. Over, son of Mrs. Anna M. Over, and the late Dr. Walter S. Over, well known dentist, died at the home of his mother, 1106 You Street, N. W., Wednesday morning, February 25th, after quite a long illness. The funeral will be held at the residence of his aunt, Mrs. Mary E. Atkinson, 236 Eleventh street, S. E., Friday afternoon, February 27th, at one-thirty o'clock. Dr. I. N. Ross, pastor of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, will officiate.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Steward is a constant reader of the Freeman. Some of the business men, Mr. Williams, grocer; Frank Jackson, pictures; Mr. Bevely, pool room; John M. Wonk, barber go hear Rev. T. G. Wonks preach.

NOTICE TO HEIRS, CREDITORS, ETC.

In the Probate Court of Marion County, February Term, 1914.

In the matter of the estate of Rose Heston, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Archie Greathouse as administrator of the estate of Rose Heston, deceased, has presented and filed his account and vouchers in final settlement of said estate, and that the same will come up for examination and action of said Probate Court of Marion County on the 21st day of March, 1914, at which time all heirs, creditors or legatees of said estate are required to appear in said court and show cause, if any there be, why said account and vouchers should not be approved. And the heirs of said estate are also hereby required at the time and place aforesaid, to appear and make proof of their heirship.

ARCHIE GREATHOUSE.
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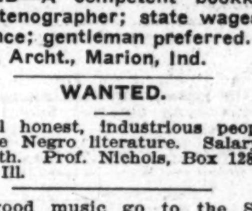

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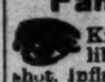

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